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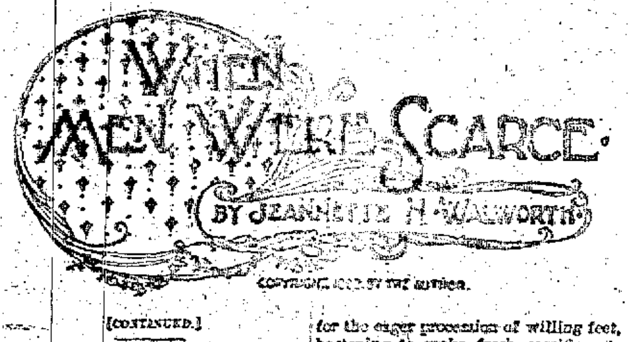

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CHAPTER XI.

In those days of storm and stress, without any consciously defined purpose of obeying Scriptural injunction, little Potts went about doing good by stealth. In point of fact, the whole man had gradually taken on an apologetic manner that amounted to stealthiness.

As the leading commercial man of the place, an authority on the crops, a key to the state of the money market, he had heretofore worn a self respecting air of pride void of offense to his brother man. Perhaps if it had been a question of man to man he might still have held his blameless head well up in spite of his Union proclivities, but in a town full of women, each individual one of whom regarded herself as the particular Atlas ordained to bear the universe upon her shoulders, little Potts carried himself with exceeding meekness.

If a barrel of flour was to be added to Mrs. Matthews' store, it was surreptitiously left upon her back porch under friendly shelter of the darkness. If the state of the Widow Phipps' wood pile was to be investigated, little Potts strolled carelessly by her gate at an hour she was sure to be at prayer meeting. Between them all he had come to regard himself as a very insignificant atom at a time when the only current value any man possessed was his availability as food for gun powder, or his ability to dig mantraps for the other side.

Perhaps some of his depression came from the altered atmosphere of the home circle so dear to his loving heart. Miss Melanie and the Potts girls were without question the most aggressive patriots in the place. They went about their self appointed tasks with a vim and farreaching vision which left no time or place for little Potts in their daily calculations. He was almost effaced. He accepted the rents in his underwear and the coldness of his breakfast coffee with that meekness that had become a latter day feature of his character.

With a show of magnanimity which would have warranted the deposed head of the house in any act of reprisal Miss Melanie had promptly "put things on an amicable footing" early in the action.

"You see, Brother Lester," she had said, "we look at this thing from an entirely different point of view. The girls and I are good 'rebels,' if that is your designation for us Confederates. You are a loyal citizen, if we choose to so consider a man who stands with the enemies of his section. We are in deep sympathy with the cause. You cannot consistently wish it success; therefore in order that the harmony of our once united little home circle shall not be jeopardized we will agree that the subject of the war shall never be touched upon under this roof."

Little Potts clutched his hair with a despairing gesture. "The devil and Tom Walker, Mel, you may as well padlock our jaws and be done with it. There wouldn't be much food for conversation left, my dear, if we accept your terms. I could stand it better than you three women."

He had come home loaded up with items gleaned from various sources touching the movements of the sharpshooters; the name of the latest seceding state; the imminence of the emancipation proclamation and kindred topics just declared contraband by Miss Melanie.

"Oh, pray don't disturb yourself on that account. We three women are kept thoroughly posted on current events at the daily meetings of the Ladies' Soldiers' Assistant society."

"Yes, but d—n it"—

"Father — Lester — father," in a breath.

"Pardon me, my dears, but there are occasions when a little mild profanity acts like a gentle purgative—clears the system. What I was going to say when all three of you jumped on me at once was that the ladies' what you call 'em society can't possibly know everything, seeing there are no men gleaners among them."

"Oh, but I beg your pardon! You forget the Rev. Mr. Brownell. He is invaluable to us in every way—so full of information and of suggestions."

"Yes, I had forgotten him. Then of course he has told you all about the Marine brigade. It promises to be the pest of the river, and I am afraid we are going to suffer at its hands."

"No," said Olivia, suspending work on the woolen comforter she was knitting for Neddie Matthews, "I don't think we've heard about any brigade."

"No! Well, if Aunt Mellie hadn't forbidden war topics I might explain its pestiferous scope to you. As it is, we are likely enough to find out by experience what it means."

"Lester, you are positively growing malicious these troublous times," said Miss Melanie, noting his preparations for departure with a frown of disapprobation.

"No; only submissive." And with a smile that lacked much of its old time brightness little Potts went his way toward the warehouses, which in his stealthy goodness he had virtually converted into free distribution rooms for the needy ones of the town.

It was in this manner that the harmony of the home circle in the squat little house on the terraces was preserved until that befell which Miss Turner had mournfully predicted.

New Orleans was occupied. Vicksburg had fallen. Applegate county was hermetically sealed from the rest of the world, and the upper and nether millstones were in position to crush at will.

Cloverdell, in these days of going without, was reduced to one newspaper, issued weekly. The fact that it was printed on the reverse side of wall paper of an exceedingly florid pattern did not vitiate its statements touching the invincible valor of the army which was moving on to the total annihilation of the foe nor lessen the impressiveness of the call it made for a grand rally of the women on a certain Tuesday to devise means for making and forwarding clothing to the Applegate sharpshooters.

The fervor of the call resulted curiously. Mrs. Brownell, the president, had declared that the moment had arrived for the women to sacrifice their all for the [illegible]

The old courthouse, with its [illegible] yellow dome, opened its doors early on that morning, some [illegible] however, for the eager procession of willing feet, hastening to make fresh sacrifices to "the cause."

All nature seemed at war on that smiling morning in the glad springtime of the year. The china trees that girdled the old courthouse roundabout were scattering their purple chalices on the ground, laden with perfume; mocking birds were pairing under the rose trellises in many a garden; the smell of freshly spaded earth kept the garden activities; early hyacinths starred the sod.

"But one cares so little about spring gardening when there are no men left to feed," said old Mrs. Denman, carefully laying her votive offering on the long table before the cutters out.

"It is my parlor curtains," she said, tenderly stroking the damask flowers about to fall under the shears. "I wouldn't try to match the flowers, my dears; they are so large it would entail a great deal of waste. I think, with careful cutting, you ought to get at least ten shirts out of the whole set of curtains."

"And no end of caps out of the scraps," said one of the cutters out, carefully laying an old shirt on the brilliant damask by way of pattern. "Mamma sent her spare room blankets in this morning, but the borders do get so dreadfully in our way. We don't think they would like to wear blanket shirts with those dreadful blue stripes down the back, do you?"

"I really don't know, my love. From the way my boys write I fancy they are not quite so particular about appearances as they were when they left home."

"I should say not, nor about what they eat. Reggie writes that he gave away the mosquito bar I put in his bag to an old woman in exchange for some raw onions. Fancy it! Why, I never knew a man who had a greater horror of a raw onion in all my life than Reggie had. War must be terribly demoralizing."

Marianne blushed prettily at having made so bold in such an august assemblage, but Miss Varina had been reproaching her for her slack interest in the work other women were doing for the company in which her brother was an officer, and she had come today bent on taking her place among the workers. She was loosening the strings that held in place a bulky parcel Uncle Toby had brought in.

"I couldn't find a thing about the house but this roll of bedticking. I had got it just before Reggie went away to recover pillows, but since he went and we have moved we seem to need so little of anything. Mammy Jane says she doesn't see why we can't make trousers out of it."

The brilliant blue and pink striped ticking lay unrolled on the table where lawyers had been wont to fight out their legal battles. A dozen hands were outstretched to test its quality.

"It will be just superb. They could not ask for anything better. I only wish we had 100 yards of it."

"Oh, I'm so glad you think well of it. I almost went into hysterics when mammy proposed it. Just fancy Reggie careering after the Yankees in a pair of trousers made of bedticking."

"He could career after them much more comfortably, my dear, than in none."

"Oh, yes, of course; but you don't think things will ever get that much worse, Mrs. Denman?"

"There's no knowing, there's no knowing." And, turning away from the sacrificial altar on which she had laid her cherished damask curtains a willing sacrifice, the old lady wiped away a furtive tear or two. "Not," she made pathetic haste to explain, "the giving up of a pile of old damask, my dears, but it emphasizes the straits Mr. Denman and the boys are passing through as nothing else in the world could do. Why, Mr. Denman helped me to select these very curtains the first visit we paid to New Orleans after we were married."

Miss Varina was examining the curtains with a long drawn face.

"Dear Mrs. Denman, why in the world did you ever buy curtains with birds on them?"

"Birds? Why, it was the birds that made Mr. Denman insist on that lot over some with ferns and things on them. He thought the birds flying, or looking as if they were flying, among the flowers was so cute."

"Cute? Yes, perhaps, but birds on curtains are sure to bring bad luck."

"Bad luck? Why, until this horrid war broke out I never knew what bad luck was. I hope you are not going to lay it to my curtains, Miss Monckton."

Monkey was getting into deep waters. Marianne came to her relief impetuously.

"I wish I was half as clever as that beautiful Miss Bascom. They say she has two hand looms running on her place, and they are turning off sure enough cloth."

"Then I think," said Olivia Potts, recoiling from the idea of Neddie Matthews wearing a shirt made from Mrs. Denman's unlucky curtains, "it is as little as she can do to contribute it to us right now. The Ladies' Soldiers' Assistant society needs every yard she can possibly weave. I suppose she is weaving it for the people on her place. She is very queer."

"Oh, I don't know about that," said Marianne, quick always to defend the absent. "Reggie says she is a splendid woman, as fearless as a lion and always to be depended on to do the right thing."

This bit of special pleading brought smiles to several lips. Captain Belknap's infatuation for the colonel's daughter had made itself manifest to many a watching eye.

There was a great clattering of tongues in the old courthouse that pleasant spring morning. There was so much for the out of town members of the L. S. A. S. to tell the in town members.

Mrs. Phipps had discovered a perfect substitute for bluing, and the recipe must be passed from lip to lip. To the click clack of knitting needles, which never stopped, Mrs. Clark told how the bark of the pecan tree would yield the most gorgeous purple dye. There was the newest process of bleaching the [illegible]

[illegible] Miss Melanie mournfully. "What we are to do for leather I can't conjecture."

A dainty foot was put in evidence from under the trim skirts of one of the cutters out.

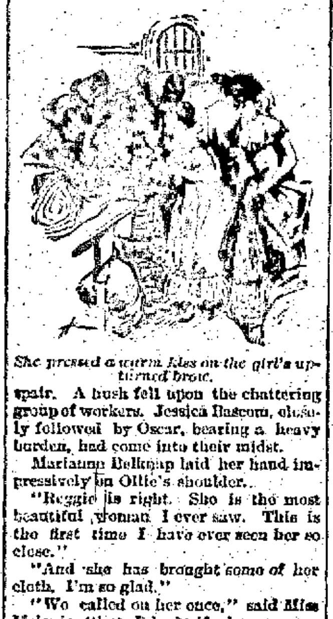
"There is a shoe made out of the skin of a rattlesnake one of the men killed in our field. Isn't it lovely?"

Twenty pairs of eyes were focused on the unique boot.

"Lovely? Yes, but, my dear Jennie, we can't all go about killing rattlesnakes to make shoes of."

"No," said the proud wearer of the snake boots, "that really would not be practicable, but perhaps the war will really be over before our shoes are all gone."

They were not uncheerful, those Adamless Eves. They were living at a white heat of excited anticipation that left but a slight margin for tears or despair. A hush fell upon the chattering group of workers. Jessica Bascom, closely followed by Oscar, bearing a heavy burden, had come into their midst.


She pressed a warm kiss on the girl's upturned brow.

Marianne Belknap laid her hand impressively on Ollie's shoulder.

"Reggie is right. She is the most beautiful woman I ever saw. This is the first time I have ever seen her so close."

"And she has brought some of her cloth. I'm so glad."

"We called on her once," said Miss Melanie, "but I doubt if she even remembers our names. Royalty itself could not carry it off more haughtily. I suppose I ought to speak to her. I suspect she is as good a Unionist as"—

She blushed and pushed through the group that had gathered about Jessica and her bundle. Perhaps not to more than one or two of the many there gathered was the strange, cold girl known better than by sight. Her attitude of aloofness had erected social barriers around her that could not be thrown down in a minute. Marianne Belknap came toward her with a shy, sweet smile and extended her hand.

"For the sake of the dear ones we sent away to meet a common peril let us be friends."

And Jessica, stooping impulsively, pressed a warm kiss on the girl's pure, upturned brow. This womanly little episode seemed to thaw the environment to a comfortable degree. Jessica was besieged with questions. "My dear Miss Bascom, is it really true that you did all that weaving with your own hands?"

"Not an inch of it," she answered, with a bright smile. "I was so fortunate as to exhume a very good weaver from among the old women on my father's place. I hope Mrs. Brownell will find this good enough to use."

"Good enough to use? My dear child, please step over to the table where those girls are cutting things out. You will find there Mrs. Denman's parlor curtains, Miss Belknap's bedticking, Mrs. Phipps' best pair of blankets and Mrs. Clark's traveling shawl. We were perfectly delighted to get them too."

Jessica gravely scanned the heterogeneous pile on the table presided over by a bevy of chattering girls armed with big shears.

"If they are to be fed as fearfully and as wonderfully as they will be clothed, the issue cannot long remain doubtful."

"It never has been doubtful," said Ollie Potts, with a sharp note of resentment in her voice.

"No, I don't think it has."

"Oh, but Miss Bascom, you mean"—

Her sentence was never finished. At that moment a commotion was noticeable on the porch which decorated the front of the old courthouse, and the Rev. Mr. Brownell came in with a face full of importance.

"Really this surpasses anything I have ever read of warfare between civilized nations!"

He dropped upon a bench heaped high with bird besprinkled shirts just from the hands of the cutters and mopped his brow in an agitated manner. Mrs. Brownell fanned him solicitously, Miss Melanie brought a glass of ice water, one of his parishioners relieved him of his hat, another fetched a stool for his feet. Between them all he was made thoroughly comfortable, which seemed to warrant Mrs. Brownell's mild query:

"Well, my dear?"

"The Marine brigade, that pest of the river, has visited us at last."

"No!" in full chorus.

"But it has. I saw them with my own eyes. Of course, as a minister of the gospel and a noncombatant I could only look on without being able to stop them at all."

"Stop what?" in full chorus again.

"Their pillaging."

"Pillaging? Who? What? Where? Oh, for mercy sake, Mr. Brownell, why didn't you stop them?"

The Rev. Brownell frowned majestically on his refractory flock.

"Ladies, do you know that the Marine brigade consists of eight full sized gunboats, each with its full complement of men called soldiers? Are you aware of the fact that they claim the privilege of landing whensoever and wheresoever they see fit and helping themselves to whatsoever they want?"

"Yes, but"—

The minister cleared his throat of the huskiness left by rapid walking and extreme agitation and stretched out a hand to command attention.

"And if these men, so armed and numerous, saw fit to walk off with Mrs. Phipps' entire flock of turkeys"—

Mrs. Phipps interrupted him with a sharp wail.

"No, no, surely men calling themselves soldiers could not be so inhuman as that?"

The Rev. Brownell pursued the uneven tenor of his oratorical way.

"Or were inconsiderate enough to carry away every stick of wood from our dear Mrs. Matthews' wood pile"—

Mrs. Matthews rose to her feet in blanched agitation.

"Mr. Brownell, you surely did not stand by and see those vandals rob me? Oh, I know I'm being punished for letting Neddie go against his father's kin."

Ollie Potts flashed a quick defense of her lover on the heels of his mother's wail.

"As far as that goes, Mrs. Matthews, everybody's kin have gone against everybody's [illegible] Please don't worry [illegible] You know [illegible] would look after [illegible] your wood pile right away [illegible]"

The Rev. Brownell cleared his throat in pulpit style when an impressive climax was to be heralded and cast a mournful glance in direction of the Potts trio.

"I am afraid not."

"I should like to know why he won't?"

"Because the Marine brigade has carried our friend Potts off with it."

This startling climax was greeted by a chorus of feminine shrieks. Miss Melanie's voice was not among them. She sat white and stunned while the minister went wordily into the details of the mishap that had overtaken her brother.

"It would seem that these men found out that there was a Union man in the place, and they naturally supposed that they had found a friend in the enemy's camp. They went to our friend, Mr. Lester Potts, and demanded a lot of information from him concerning the country surrounding and the people. Our friend Potts very properly refused to give them any information that would prove damaging to his friends, and so they told him he would have to go with them and remain their guest until he changed his mind."

"That he will never do!" Ollie sobbed hysterically. "The rock of Gibraltar will crumble into dust first. Papa is adamant where duty is involved."

Miss Melanie got up stiffly, as if old age had suddenly paralyzed her active limbs.

"Olivia, pray stop talking. There are junctures when words seem impertinent. Girls, we will go home, if that can be called home where Lester is not."

"I think they might have let him come to tell us goodby," sobbed the Potts girls.

The Rev. Brownell took an envelope from his pocket with a dramatic jerk. His fourthly and lastly had been reached.

"Our dear friend, Mr. Lester Potts"—

Miss Melanie's tried temper gave way with a snap.

"For mercy's sake, Mr. Brownell, don't say 'Mr. Lester Potts' exactly as if you meant 'the late Mr. Potts.' I suppose live people do sometimes get out of jail, especially when they've done nothing on earth to get them in. I know brother hasn't."

"Our poor friend Potts," said the minister, looking vaguely in the direction of the oldest Miss Potts, "naturally requested permission to say adieu to his family and friends. The request was denied him, but he was granted permission to write a few lines, and they are in this envelope."

He passed the envelope to Mrs. Brownell, who handed it to Miss Phipps, who in turn sent it over the intervening heads until Miss Melanie grasped it with eager hands.

A profound silence fell upon the assemblage while she was reading it. Presently she looked up with shining eyes.

"I think I should like to read Brother Lester's note, as it is so full of loving thought for all of you."

An assenting murmur rippled roundabout her. And so little Potts' pencil scrawled note passed into the local annals of Applegate county's war record.

"My dear ones at home," he wrote, "I would much rather say this temporary goodby in person, for I am sure you are going to make a mountain of bereavement out of my little molehill of inconvenience, but the gentlemen who insist upon my taking this little water excursion with them take a different view of my wishes, so I must lay my injunctions on you this wise:

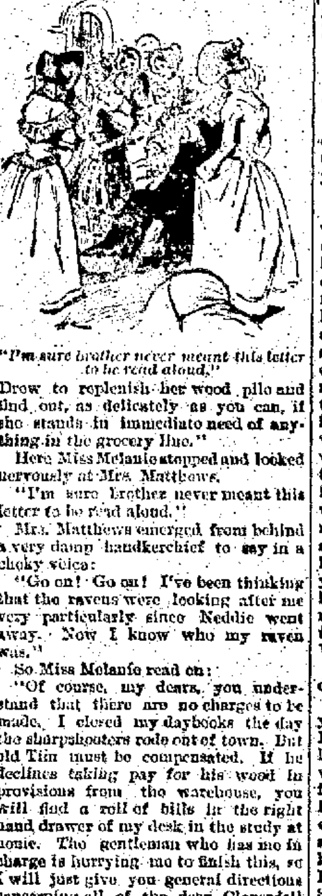
"You, my dear Melanie, are not to go home and lock all my personal effects out of sight as if they were never to be put into requisition again. I know you and all your dolorous little ways. I strictly prohibit you and my dear girls from the prefix of 'poor' every time my name is mentioned; none of that, none of that, on pain of confessional and absolution when I get back."

"This is the first time," the Rev. Brownell interrupted the reading to say, "that I ever suspected Mr. Potts of Romanist proclivities." After which he lapsed into austere silence, and Miss Melanie resumed her reading.

"So you see after all, my dears, I am to have a war record. I can't say at this early day what the character of my laurels will be, but they can wait.

"Now, to come down to serious topics, one of you will have to be my business man. Perhaps all three of you will kindly see that my wishes are carried out in the following particulars:

"I note that Mrs. Matthews has been robbed of wood. Please ask old Timothy Drew to replenish her wood pile and find out, as delicately as you can, if she stands in immediate need of anything in the grocery line."


"I'm sure brother never meant this letter to be read aloud."

Here Miss Melanie stopped and looked nervously at Mrs. Matthews.

"I'm sure brother never meant this letter to be read aloud."

Mrs. Matthews emerged from behind a very damp handkerchief to say in a choky voice:

"Go on! Go on! I've been thinking that the ravens were looking after me very particularly since Neddie went away. Now I know who my raven was."

So Miss Melanie read on:

"Of course, my dears, you understand that there are no charges to be made. I closed my daybooks the day the sharpshooters rode out of town. But old Tim must be compensated. If he declines taking pay for his wood in provisions from the warehouse, you will find a roll of bills in the right hand drawer of my desk in the study at home. The gentleman who has me in charge is hurrying me to finish this, so I will just give you general directions concerning all of the dear Cloverdell friends.

"So long as there is a pound of meat or a pint of flour left in the old warehouse give to those who need. We have no charges to make. Freely it has been given to us in the past peaceful days; freely we will give in these troublous ones. I should like my dear girls to make it their business to find out who really needs help. You know our people are not much used to asking alms, and I would not for the world have one soul need a thing that we could supply.

"I'm afraid I've been something of a trial to you all at home since the war began, but I have simply tried to do what seemed the right thing to do. Sometimes one gets puzzled. I am now. I don't suppose they are going to do anything very terrible with me, but if they keep me until I give them any information about my old friends we are not likely to meet again very soon. So goodby, my loves. I hope I have cut out enough work to keep you all three busy. My last injunction to you is to give freely of our substance to our friends and neighbors as long as it lasts. I am so much obliged to these fellows for taking me and leaving my meat and meal. It is needed. I am not."

"That is all," said Miss Melanie, folding the letter reverently back into its envelope.

"I feel just as if I had been listening to a sermon," said Mrs. Denman, wiping the tears from her eyes.

After which the meeting at the old courthouse was dissolved in a solemn silence. Little Potts, who yesterday had crept around town with dejected mien and in forlorn loneliness, was the hero of the hour. Destiny deals largely in irony.

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TIGER AND BULL.

A Fierce Battle, in Which the Tiger Was Badly Beaten.

The Paris letter of the London Post gives details of an extraordinary entertainment given at the Plaza de Madrid in the presence of 1,300 spectators. This was a combat between a royal Bengal tiger and an Andalusian fighting bull. The tiger, Cesar, was a full grown brute belonging to Spessardi, the trainer, who had never been able to do anything with it and had, indeed, once nearly fallen a victim to its ferocity. He sold it for 6,000 francs to the director of the plaza.

A cage 17 yards square by 4 in height had been erected in the middle of the arena, and the animals were brought on in vans, the bull being the first to be released into the inclosure. The brute immediately began to run round and round his prison, bellowing and throwing up sand and gravel with his hoofs.

The instant the tiger entered the cage he gave a roar and bounded on the bull, avoiding the horns, and fixed on his flanks and belly with both teeth and claws. The bull remained still for a few seconds, and then seemed to be sinking backward to the ground. The spectators thought that all was over, but the tiger let go for a second to take another hold, and in the brief interval was kicked over by the wild plunges of the bull. Before the tiger had time to recover the bull was on him, and, sinking his horns into the striped hide, it tossed the tiger into the air. This was repeated four or five times, the bull varying his tactics occasionally by banging his adversary against the bars. When the bull stopped, the tiger lay limp on the ground, and the crowd, thinking he was dead, cried, "Bravo, toro!"

The bull stood stamping for a moment in the middle of the cage, and then, seeing the tiger did not move, approached and smelled him. But Cesar was only shamming death and seized the bull's muzzle in his powerful jaws so the animal could not move. Eventually, however, he was released, and after stamping furiously on the tiger again caught him on his horns. This time the tossing, stamping and banging apparently really ended in Cesar's death. The cage was then opened, and the bull rushed out and back to his stable. For precaution's sake the tiger's van was brought up, and, to the general surprise, Cesar rose to his feet, glanced round as if afraid the bull was still there, and then bounded into the van. The tiger was found to have five ribs broken, besides having a number of wounds from the bull's horns. It is said that all wild animals—bears, lions, panthers and tigers—fare badly in combat with the Spanish fighting bull. Man and the elephant are the only sure victors over these active and ferocious beasts.

HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

Her Attitude Made Him Question the Joke Manufacturers' Veracity.

"Some time," said the young man, "when business is light I am going to take a day off, and when I do some of the comic papers will do well to engage a large assortment of guards."

"Going to turn in some comic verse, are you?" inquired the older man facetiously.

"No, I'm not," answered the young man, with emphasis, "but I'll bet when I get through with them they will know a few things about their business that they never knew before."

"Oh, they've been having fun with you, have they?" exclaimed the older man. "But you mustn't mind that. It's all in good nature, you know."

"They haven't mentioned me," asserted the young man, "but they have led me astray by a long series of inane jests, and I intend to show them the error of their ways. I suppose you know that I've been married just about a year?"

"Yes, I heard of your wedding."

"Well, just about two months after we were married my wife informed me one morning that her mother was coming to visit us. I immediately thought of the comic papers. Before she became my mother-in-law I rather liked the old lady, but of course things were different after the wedding. Consequently I stamped around and swore a bit and declared that I wanted it understood that no relative to either party to the contract could step in there and run that house. Then my wife came back at me with the statement that if her mother wasn't welcome we might as well come to an understanding at once and arrange for a separation. I replied that she was welcome so long as she was willing to mind her own business, but that it was a well known fact that no mother-in-law ever had succeeded in doing that yet. Naturally the result was that when her mother arrived my wife and I were not on the best of terms, and it didn't take long for the old lady to see it. When she did see it, she acted."

"Roasted you, I suppose?" said the older man.

"Roasted me, nothing!" returned the young man. "She roasted her daughter. I happened to overhear it, and when she laid down the law as to the duties of a wife my heart went out to her, and I felt meaner than a bobtail flush for all I'd said of her. And she's been the same ever since. She doesn't mix in much if any when there's a 'tiff,' but I can easily see that she takes my end of it when I'm not there. And good natured! Say! She's the best natured woman you ever heard of. Talk about mothers-in-law! I wish you'd point out one of these humorous writers to me for a minute. I'm feeling pretty strong today."—Chicago Record.

A Bureau of Courtesy.

"A curious innovation," says the Boston Transcript, "at the coming Omaha exposition will be a bureau of courtesy. Not only is the idea novel, but it is surprising to learn that nearly all the people of the city will be enrolled in the committee. Every member will wear a badge, and visitors will be at liberty to address any one who wears the badge and ask for information just as much as he likes. The member, on the other hand, will be pledged to treat the visitor courteously and answer his questions, or put him in the way of getting them answered."

SHERIDAN'S HAND.

SPRUNG TWO ACES OF DIAMONDS ON CONKLING IN A JACK POT.

Very Much Embarrassed When His Attention Was Called to the Error—The Little General Wanted the Story Kept Quiet, but It Was Too Good.

"I was in a poker game," writes a correspondent of the Washington Star, "in the winter of 1879, when Senator Conkling and General Phil Sheridan were players. It was a four handed game, and John Chamberlin was the other player. This game at Chamberlin's was always for a $5 limit at first, with the understanding that along toward morning, after a couple of hours of warming up, anybody could suggest the removal of the limit if he wanted to. The way Conkling and Sheridan bluffed each other that night was a caution. Both men seemed to strike out luck altogether as an element in their good natured play against each other, and as both of them sought fine fields occasionally when engaged in this tug of war of bluffing neither of them could get an exact line on the other, and it was better than a play to study their faces at the show downs. Conkling was having all the success during the latter part of the night, and it was fun to hear Little Phil softly utter dark and woolly things under his breath when, time after time, Conkling would show a hand consisting of nothing at all after having scared Sheridan out or produce a gorgeous set of fours or a full hand at such times as Sheridan, deciding that the senator was bluffing, would call him.

"'Bite him, Sheridan,' Chamberlin would say sneeringly on these occasions, and Sheridan would tell Chamberlin to go to the dickens and call for another deck of cards.

"We started the last round of jack pots with a new deck. Sheridan dealt the first mess himself, and after it had gone around and none of the three of us could open it Sheridan opened it himself. Neither Chamberlin nor I had any right to stay on our hands, so it was left between Sheridan and Conkling, who staid. Conkling took three cards and turned his little pair into threes. Sheridan dealt himself out three cards and bit his cigar hard when he saw his hand. He made a $5 bet to draw Conkling out, and the senator raised him $25. It passed between them with these $25 bets until there was nearly $300 in the pot, both men scrutinizing each other pretty carefully at each bet.

"'I don't know so much about you this time,' said Conkling finally, 'and I think I'll just call you for safety.'

"Both laid their hands down at the same time. Conkling had three nines, and he looked at Sheridan strangely when he saw the color of Sheridan's three aces. Both Chamberlin and myself also saw what was wrong at the same instant, but we only waited and let the two men have it out. Sheridan had a broad grin on his face and was just about to rake in the pot. Conkling was gazing at the little man of iron with a puzzled look in his eyes.

"'Oh, I say, there, Phil, just wait a minute,' said he. 'Do you really think that pot belongs to you?'

"'Belongs to me?' said Sheridan. 'Well, it does if the nose on my face belongs to me.' And again he reached over to hook in the pot.

"Conkling ran his hand through his hair and again stopped Sheridan with a gesture.

"'I don't remember ever having seen that sort of thing before,' he said. 'Did you, Phil?'

"'See what sort of thing before?' said Sheridan. 'What in blazes are you talking about, Conkling?'

"For reply Conkling put one finger upon one of Sheridan's aces and then pointed to another one of the aces.

"'I never saw a jack pot won with three aces, two of which happened to be aces of diamonds,' said Conkling, smiling.

"Sheridan looked at his hand, lying face up on the table before him, and his face became fiery red. The consternation on his countenance was really funny.

"'Why,' said he after a minute, 'blamed if I don't believe I'm nothing better than an involuntary swindler. That other ace, you see, is a club. I opened the pot on a pair of red aces, and they were, of course, those aces of diamonds. Chamberlin,' turning to the amused Boniface, 'turn me out of doors as a fraud and a short card player, will you?'

"'And have the army fire a volley over the ruins of my house?' replied Chamberlin. 'Hardly. Anyhow, I'd rather see you and Conkling engage in a rough and tumble fight over the thing. Go ahead, the pair of you. We'll see fair play,' turning to me.

"Of course the extra ace of diamonds had slipped into the deck accidentally before it left the manufacturer's hands, but Sheridan, when he had in a measure recovered from his surprise of the revelation, made a humorous pretension that he had known the whole thing all along and convulsed the three of us by feelingly appealing to Conkling to refrain from exposing him to the world for the sake of his family and all that sort of thing. The hand being foul, the pot was of course divided."

Purists and Pedants.

Many purists condemn such a phrase as "no sort or kind" on the ground of tautology. I should be sorry, however, to see it disappear, because it is a landmark in English philology. It is a relic of the fusion of Saxon and Norman-French. At that period many phrases of a bilingual character crept into use, and this is one of them. "Truth and honor" is another, truth being "troth," or honor, as in "by my troth." "Voice" as a verb is much objected to, coming to us moderns as it does from American sources—e. g., to "voice" the public sentiment. I don't like it and never use it, but it occurs in Shakespeare.

Notoriously many so called Americanisms are old English provincialisms. The purists threaten, indeed, to become insufferable pedants. It is now the custom of the printer's reader—our great authority—to treat "none" as invariably singular, a contraction for no one. But it is useful as a plural and is so used in Shakespeare—e. g., "Speak daggers, but use none." Why may we not continue to say, "I spoke to no women at the meeting because there were none present?"—Academy.

Coke In Different Countries.

The prices at which coke is quoted in different countries are given as $1.44 in the United States, $3.38 in Great Britain, $3.24 in France, $3.36 in Germany, $3.48 in Belgium, and in Spain $6.00. These figures are based on the quantity of coke used in the manufacture of a ton of Bessemer pig iron.

The proportion of deaf mutes to the population is one to every 2,043. In 1851 there was one deaf mute to every 1,775 of the population. Physicians claim that this decrease is mainly traceable to greater knowledge and care in the treatment of scarlatina in children.

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BURT OLSON,
Editor and Prop'r.

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, MAR. 18, 1898.

CALL FOR REPUBLICAN CAUCUSES.

The Republican caucuses for primary election will be held at the regular polling places in accordance with the rules of the Republican party of McKean county on Saturday, March 19th, 1898, between the hours of [illegible] and eight o'clock p. m., for the purpose of recommending one person for Member of Congress and placing in nomination two persons for members of the General Assembly in the State Legislature, and one person for County Treasurer, and for the election of [illegible] to serve as delegates to the Republican State convention, and for the election in each election district one person to serve as a member of the County Committee for the ensuing year, and that the County convention be held in the court house, in Smethport, on Tuesday, March 22nd, at two o'clock p. m., and for the purpose of canvassing the vote of said caucuses, and the election of a Chairman of the County Committee for the ensuing year.

GEO. W. MITCHELL,
Chairman.

C. G. [illegible],
J. R. [illegible],
Secretaries.

Smethport, Pa., Feb. 17, 1898.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Editor Miner—Please announce that I am a candidate for representative in Congress in the Twenty-seventh District, subject to the rules of the Republican party and to the decision of the district conference.

HERMAN H. NORTH.

Bradford, Pa., February 22, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for the office of Member of Assembly, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

T. F. RICHMOND.

Smethport, Pa., Jan. 12, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for the office of Member of Assembly, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

E. A. DEMPSEY.

Bradford, Pa., Jan. 15, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McKean County, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

JOHN W. CAMPBELL.

Kane, Pa., Jan. 6, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McKean County, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

A. W. BOYD.

Sawyer City, Pa., Jan. 13, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for delegate to the state convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

L. ROOKER.

Kane, Pa., Jan. 11, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for delegate to the State convention subject to the rules of the Republican party.

ANDREW BENSON.

Bradford, Pa., Jan. 21, 1898.

Editor Miner—Please announce me as a candidate for delegate to the state convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

G. W. MITCHELL.

Smethport, Pa., Jan. 11, 1898.

Vote only for good men.

Attend the Republican primaries to-morrow.

Do your duty as an honest Republican [illegible].

The Dingley tariff only furnished a surplus of $[illegible] during the month of February.

This is not such a bad showing for the old Keystone State, a gain of only $[illegible] in bank deposits during the last year.

The Martin trial at Wilkesbarre will cost Luzerne county at least $[illegible] and the fees of the attorneys will amount to about $15,000.

Last Wednesday the United States Senate finally confirmed the nomination of T. V. Powderly as Commissioner of Immigration.

William J. Bryan has been down in Georgia hunting for Tom Watson, but the "middle of the road disciple" has so far eluded the western talking candidate.

Uncle Sam seems to be determined to increase the size of his navy. Last Wednesday the contract for the purchase of two Brazilian warships was signed, the purchase price being about $[illegible].

It seems that Queen Victoria is not so old but what she is inclined to get up a flirtation with Uncle Sam. But the old gent has other fish to fry and doesn't seem to pay any attention to the old lady's blandishments.

Reports from the Klondike country are so contradictory that a person hardly knows what to believe. But sifting all of them produces one effect and that is, that the prospector pays dearly for all he gains in the hardships that he is compelled to endure to secure a little of the filthy lucre.

Should war between the United States and Spain actually come, would [illegible] attempt to raise an Armada like [illegible] that which she assembled in 1588, consisting of 130 battleships, for the invasion of England. The Spanish Armada started out with a great [illegible] only to be scattered and mostly destroyed by severe gales in the [illegible]. Out of this grand [illegible] only 53 vessels of the Armada were able to reach [illegible]. The rest were scattered or destroyed. The chances are [illegible] Spain should attempt to send [illegible] across the Atlantic it would [illegible] like fate if it met the brave [illegible] that man Uncle [illegible].

[illegible] conflicting reports on the Cuban [illegible] come with their usual regularity and up to the present time it is [illegible] guess-work as to what the outcome will be, though the consensus of opinion is that war must inevitably come owing to the strained relations existing between the United States and Spain. Our government [illegible] weeks been making extensive [illegible] for war, feeling assured [illegible] the safest road to peace. [illegible] Spain discovers the careful [illegible] that have been made she [illegible] half so anxious for strife [illegible] would if she considered our [illegible] incomplete. The work [illegible] investigating committee in the [illegible] will be completed in a [illegible], when the momentous [illegible] of peace or war will be quickly [illegible]. May this important question [illegible] for peace, if it can be [illegible]. If not with [illegible] with all its terrors [illegible] will find [illegible]

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, March 14, 1898.

President McKinley is one of the hardest worked men in the country just now. He has not abandoned hope that peace may be preserved with honor, but he is working night and day to place the country in a position to wage a successful war against Spain just as though he were certain that war is to come. His head has not been turned even a little bit by the extraordinary confidence reposed in him by Congress, in putting by unanimous vote $50,000,000 in his hands to be used for national defence. He is cool and deliberate, just as he has been from the first. He calmly ignores the sensational reports of this or that European nation being about to form an alliance with Spain, and is as fully determined as ever to maintain national honor at all hazards.

Notwithstanding various contrary assertions, it is a fact that neither the President nor the Secretary of the Navy has received from any member of the Maine court of inquiry, a single word intimating what the report of the court will be. They have, of course, like all other intelligent men, formed an opinion from the evidence that has appeared in the columns of respectable newspapers, of what the probable nature of the report as far as it concerns the explosion, will be, but they have no inside knowledge of what the court has done or will do, and expect none, any more than they would expect advance intimation of what a decision in the Supreme Court would be in any given case it might have under consideration. There will be no delay in acting as soon as the report, which the President would accept as final, is made, and Spain will not be allowed to delay responding to the demands of this government, if it be found that the Maine was blown up from the outside, and of that there is now very little doubt. While the President is keeping his own counsel as to the demand that will be made upon Spain, it can be set down as certain that it will be one that will be indorsed by the entire American people, just as the President's policy has been up to the present time, and it is generally believed that it will include a proposition for a definite settlement of the trouble in Cuba. There are already strong indications that Spain has adopted a policy of delay, which it will seek to carry out, but it will seek in vain. It will either have to meet our demands promptly or fight.

No Quaker could profess greater brotherly love for the United States than does the new Spanish Minister, who was presented to President McKinley Saturday. He talked as though peace were assurred and that his greatest anxiety is to complete a reciprocity treaty with us. This talk isn't throwing any sand in anybody's eyes.

The confidence felt by Congress in the President is duplicated by that reposed by the President in his Secretaries of War and Navy, and by that placed in their bureau chiefs by those Secretaries. An instance of this confidence is the case of Gen. Flagler, Chief of Ordnance, who has been authorized by Secretary Alger to place orders for as much war material as he may deem necessary under existing circumstances. Gen. Flagler has directed all makers of guns and ammunition to run their establishments to their full capacity until further orders. But no waste or extravagance is to be countenanced in either the War or the Navy Department; every dollar will be spent upon estimates, approved not only by the Secretary, but by the President, and in writing at that.

Congress is very decidedly opposed to anything that might be construed by the world as an alliance between the United States and Great Britain. The feeling against "entangling foreign complications" is quite as strong now as it was in the days of George Washington. We do not need any help from England to fight our battles, and we do not intend to help England fight her battles. This feeling has been strongly expressed since the idea became prevalent that England was trying to make use of the probability of a war with Spain to inveigle the United States into an alliance offensive and defensive with her. It is all very pretty to talk about an alliance between the English speaking people being strong enough to dominante the world, but the United States isn't in the dominating business, and has no idea of going into it. Besides it has many and growing commercial interests that are necessarily directly opposed to those of England and other European nations. Having successfully played a lone hand for more than a century, and managed to make more progress than any other nation on earth, it isn't likely that the United States would care to hamper itself with a partner now.

The building of three new battleships, to be as good as the best now afloat, and one of them to be named Maine, is authorized by the naval appropriation bill.

MR. DUKE WITHDRAWS.

C. A. Duke has withdrawn from the treasurership contest. This leaves J. W. Campbell and A. W. Boyd as the two remaining candidates in the field. Following is Mr. Duke's letter of withdrawal:

DUKE CENTRE, March 15, 1897.

G. W. Mitchell, Chairman, Bradford, Pa.:

My Dear Sir:—I hereby withdraw my name as a candidate for nomination County Treasurer. Think it to the best interest of our party as a whole to do so. You will therefore not place my name on the ticket. But it will favor me and make our voters more satisfied to have you make it known in each voting precinct.

Respectfully,
C. A. DUKE.

MARTIN WITNESS BEATEN.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 13.—There is a spirit of revenge in this region over the acquittal of Sheriff Martin and his deputies by the court last week. This was demonstrated in McAdoo last night, when Paul Diadorfer was set upon by a gang and fearfully beaten. Diadorfer was subpoenaed to Wilkesbarre as a witness in behalf of Sheriff Martin and his deputies and at the time he belonged to a "local" of the United Mine Workers on the South Side. At a meeting of the "Local" last night Diadorfer was expelled because of his willingness to testify in behalf of the defense.

After his expulsion a committee of two was appointed by the "Local" to notify him to come to the hall. There he was apprised of the action of "Local" and started again for his home, but had not gone far when he was pounced upon by a gang and unmercifully clubbed. He is badly hurt.—Philadelphia Press.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at A. B. Armstrong & Co.'s drug store.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

When in Olean if you desire a first-class [illegible] call at the Palm [illegible] [illegible] street.

THE LATTIMER VERDICT.

Sheriff Martin and his associate deputies who were indicted in Luzerne county for firing upon a mob of strikers at Lattimer, by which a score or more of lives were sacrificed, were last week acquitted by the jury. Being the officers of the law, sworn to maintain the public peace and to protect person and property, they could be condemned in the criminal court only upon the clearest evidence that they had been guilty of a conspiracy to take the lives of members of a peaceable assembly.

Under the law and the evidence there was not a single foundation left for the prosecution to stand upon. Scores of witnesses testified that the striking miners who proceeded to Lattimer for the lawless purpose of forcing the employees at that point to abandon the employment they desired to continue, were armed with pistols and clubs and were riotous in conduct, drove peaceable workmen from their homes and employment and in a number of instances brutally assaulted those who did not obey. Such an assembly was utterly lawless, and when the members refused to disperse upon notice from the sheriff, given in the presence of his armed deputies, they not only openly defied the law, but they precipitated the loss of life by violently resisting the sheriff when in the performance of his lawful duty.

Whenever the evidence before the court and jury raised a reasonable doubt as to the peaceable and lawful character of the assembly of strikers at Lattimer, the case of the prosecution was without a single attribute of legal warrant, and if a tithe of what was testified as to the violence of the strikers is to be believed, not only were the sheriff and his deputies entirely justified in firing upon the mob, but they would have been guilty of a plain violation of duty, besides exposing their own lives to peril, if they had not done so.

It is fortunate that a judge of such admirable judicial qualities as Judge Woodward was called on to preside at this most important trial. His integrity is unquestioned by any; his impartiality is beyond dispute; his knowledge of the law is second to none and his courage and devotion to sworn duty rounded out the complete circle of a great judge. He gave to the prosecution the largest latitude at all consistent with official dignity and fairness to the law, but he held the scales of justice so evenly balanced in her own sanctuary that even the ignorant alien element, that for the first time realized that this is a government of law, could not but be profoundly impressed with the majesty of a government that maintains the sacredness of person and property rather through the intelligent sovereignty of its people than by standing armies or armed police. It has been a costly lesson, but it had become a supreme necessity, and it has been taught in court and by a jury whose integrity is not disputed, in such a manner as must exert the most wholesome influence throughout all our great industrial regions.

It must now be fairly understood even by those who do not care to understand our language or its laws, that the humblest citizen or resident of the Commonwealth must be protected in his inalienable right to employ or to be employed as he may choose for himself, and that he who attempts by intimidation or coercion involving violence, becomes himself answerable to the law for his crime, and must be punished if brought into a court where justice is judicially administered. The lesson of this verdict in the Lattimer case is not that the rich are to be protected, but that the poor and defenseless shall have absolute guarantee of all their individual rights, and that those who attempt to impair them by lawlessness must answer to the law as criminals.

The verdict is important to all, but above all it is important to those whose labor is their sole dependence for livelihood, and whose homes and families and individual rights are to be protected by placing every citizen or resident high or low, rich or poor, on the broad basis of absolute independence in their employment, regardless of the interests or orders of others. It is the law that the poor need, and in its declaration in the solemn verdict of the Lattimer case is most timely, and must be strongly effective in giving to citizen and alien who depend upon their labor for their bread, the enjoyment of all the inalienable rights of American citizens.

The inflamed passions which are inspired by such a fearful tragedy as that of Lattimer will be long in cooling. There are politicians who seek to profit by arraying class against class, and appealing to the ignorance and prejudice of those who suffer most by following the leaders who thus control them, but there is an overwhelming element of good citizenship in Luzerne as in every other county in the State. It asserted itself in the jury box, and it will assert itself in every community. It will be quickened and strengthened in the demand for absolute obedience to law by all classes and conditions, and fearfully costly as has been the Lattimer lesson, it may save tenfold more lives in the future by halting the spread of lawlessness, than were sacrificed to assert the majesty of the law at Lattimer.—Phila. Times.

DUN'S REPORT.

The vote in the House, 311 to 0, and in the Senate without a word of debate, 76 to 0, giving the President discretionary power to apply any part of $50,000,000 as he may think fit before next January to national defence, is the most impressive display of hearty unity and unflinching patriotism that has been made by this or any other country for many years. That it will prevent hostilities is not certain, but the course of markets proves that it is clearly thought probable in other countries as in this. The financial powers of Europe, which are able to starve into peacefulness almost any government, may not be able to restrain a mob in Madrid or Havana, but will strain every nerve to keep the peace if they can. It is most gratifying that no industry or branch of business shows any restriction or hindrance, but some have been rapidly gaining for the past week and month. The railways are gaining, even while speculators are selling their stocks, and the demand for products of all the great industries is increasing. More gold is coming from Europe than is needed, $10,868,000 having been ordered during the past week, and money markets are nowhere alarmed or stringent, though reasonably more cautious. The country rests assured that industries, almost all its business, the foreign demand for its resources, are beyond the reach of any foreign power, and that its honor and foreign interests are in safe hands.

The greatest of all industries is sending grain forward as if there were no limit to the supply. Wheat exports have been 4,171,497 bushels, flour included, against 1,268,171 last year from Atlantic and Pacific ports, and for two weeks 7,462,730 bushels against 3,016,546 last year. Exports of corn in spite of smaller yield have been 7,706,691 bushels in two weeks against 9,336,599 last year, when they far surpassed all records. Wheat declined 2 1-2 cts but corn did not change during the week. Cotton declined an eighth, sales of fertilizers indicating less reduction of acreage than was expected. Exports of principal products in February were $61,634,091 in value, with increase over last year about 30 per cent. in breadstuffs, 25 per cent. in cotton, and 25 per cent in the aggregate.

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A. B. Armstrong & Co. guarantee the American Silver Truss to give entire satisfaction or refund money.

WANTED—A good [illegible]. Must be temperate and a steady workman. Apply at John [illegible].

PUBLISHED BY REQUEST.

The Prohibitionists have so long preached that liquor drinking is inimical to health and happiness and destructive of human life, that they actually believe this self-evident absurdity. According to their fearful jeremiades John Barleycorn will yet depopulate the earth unless the long haired heroines can head him off. Every day the dreadful "Rum Demon" sends myriads of unfortunate mortals [illegible] supposed to be hurled headlong [illegible] hell. The saloonist is supposed to be the emissary of the party on the pale horse—an anthropophagous [illegible] who chews up the guileless pilgrim without mercy and swallows him without remorse. His backyard is supposed to be full of the bones of habitual drunkards, his attic packed with little shoes torn from baby feet and pawned for "pizen." When the Prohibs find that a man frequents the saloon they begin to talk of the cold and silent tomb—sit around, like a flock of buzzards, waiting for another frightful example of the destructive power of booze. They have figured up how many die of drink every year, month, day and minute, and multiplied it by millions. And still the stock of the coffin trust continues to tumble.

It is unquestionably true that a man can drink enough liquor to kill him, just as he can founder himself on pink lemonade and Prohibition literature, but I have ever held to the opinion that a moderate use of stimulants is necessary to the physical well being of the average man. The result of a careful investigation recently made by the British Medical Association seems to confirm this view. It was found that the average duration of life of the moderate drinker is 63, while that of the total abstainer is but 51 years. A vast majority of the men who, in modern times, reach the century mark, use liquor in moderation. In fact, the total abstainer who reaches a very advanced age is such a rarity that the Prohibs always put him on dress parade. The report made by the most distinguished body of medical men extant is important in that it explodes a blatant fallacy, but the association should have gone deeper into the subject and informed us regarding the effect on mind as well as matter,—how the moderate drinkers compare mentally with the cold water crew. Careful investigation would have enabled it to certify the fact, that not five per cent. of the world's Titans were total abstainers—that the Prohibs of to day are below the average in brains. Having determined that fact, they should have considered its cause. They should have ascertained why Prohibitionists and geese run so little to gray matter and so much to gab—why they have never produced a Socrates or a Shakespeare, a Washington or a Wellington, a King Solomon or a Christ, but multiply chronic meddlers as a dead dog does maggots.—Brann's Iconoclast for March.

NEW VOCATIONS FOR WOMEN.

While women have invaded a large number of the occupations that were once considered exclusively reserved to male workers only, there is still a wide range of employment left open for them. Piano tuning is a new profession for women, but it would seem to be one to which they were well adapted. It pays well and can be readily acquired by any woman with a good musical ear and a slight taste for mechanics. Female barbers are steadily increasing in number, and a young Irish woman has recently taken the place of her deceased husband as section boss on a large railroad. She is said to be very exact in attention to her duties and to be filling the position with profit to herself and the entire satisfaction of the company. In the decorative arts women find a profitable and congenial field; bookbinding is another craft that appeals to the dexterity of the feminine hand, and large numbers of women and girls are already engaged in learning the work.

A novel occupation for women has been taken by two young Chicago women, Miss Coddington and Miss Johnson, who have been appointed as garbage inspectors and are doing the work well. Miss Johnson is a college bred woman and drives her own horse and buggy over her district with the dexterity of any man. Miss Coddington gets over the ground on a bicycle, as fortunately the district she has charge of is fairly well paved. Mrs. E. A. Paul is another Chicago woman who has pluckily undertaken the task of superintendent of street cleaning. She has a corps of men under her and is attending to her duties in a thoroughly up-to date manner.

The woman collector is also much in evidence, and is most successful in this, as she possesses something much needed when approaching creditors, namely, tact. In some of the eastern cities quite a profitable business is done by women as chaperons and guides, also as shopping agents, but for some reason these avenues do not prove lucrative in the west. Several bright women are in the insurance business and doing well for the companies they represent, while the numbers who go out as commercial travelers is constantly increasing, fluency of speech and a good general knowledge of people and things being about all the capital required.—Oil City Derrick.

I desire to attest to the merits of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as one of the most valuable and efficient preparations on the market. It broke an exceedingly dangerous cough for me in 24 hours, and in gratitude therefor I desire to inform you that I will never be without it, and you should feel proud of the high esteem in which your remedies are held by people in general. It is the only remedy among ten thousand. Success to it.—O. R. Downey, editor Democrat, Albion, Ind. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

On the morning of Feb. 20, 1895, I was sick with rheumatism and lay in bed until May 21st, when I got a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first application of it relieved me almost entirely from the pain and the second afforded complete relief. In a short time I was able to be up and out again.—A. T. Moreaux, Luverne, Minn. Sold by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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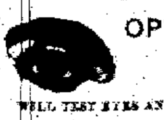

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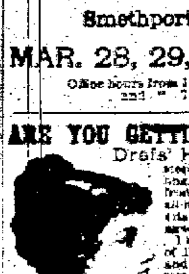

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I now deposited the money I had been so long squandering for tobacco in the Seaman's bank for Savings. I will tell the boys what I did with it, that they may see how unwise and improvident it is to commence the expensive, [illegible] habit of smoking or chewing tobacco.

We had long lived in the city, but the annual visits of the children to their grandfather's made them long for a home among the green fields. I found a very pleasant place for sale. There were over two acres of land, with abundant shade and fruit trees, a good garden, a fine view of Long Island Sound—near the academy, churches and schools and a convenient distance from New York. The cigar money was drawn upon to purchase the place and it is mine.

I wish the boys who are tempted to smoke could see how the children enjoy their new home, as they watch the great steamers and the vessels with their white sails as they come along the Sound. Sometimes over a hundred are seen at one view.

Just before or after a storm we hear very distinctly the roar of old Ocean. It is then that we think of the perils of the sea and realize the dangers to which the brave sailors are exposed. The children and grandchildren are also interested in the horse, cow, calf and chickens. They enjoy their plays and sports on the green grass which give them health and happiness.

My smoking was moderate compared with that of many, only six cigars a day at 6¼ cents each, equal to $136.50 per annum, which at 7 percent. interest for sixty-one years amounts to the small fortune of $118,929.29. This has afforded means for the education of my children, with an appropriate allowance for benevolent objects.

Great as this saving has been, it is not to be compared with improved health, a clear head and steady hand at the age of eighty-five years and entire freedom from desire for tobacco in any form.

I am not surprised that some friends have expressed doubts in regard to the correctness of the foregoing statement. It seems incredible. I therefore give the exact figures in periods of ten years and that for each year can be given. One hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifty cents were saved the first year and the sum should be added each succeeding year besides interest.

The first year, $136.50; tenth year, $1,885.45; twentieth, $5,594.40; thirtieth, $12,860.57; fortieth, $27,243.16; fiftieth, $55,476.82, sixty-first (as given) $118,929.29.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OF KEATING TOWNSHIP FUNDS, 1898.

Dr.		
Old bills of 1896 and judgment of Young	$ 295 83	
Due Supervisor Herzog on settlement	217 09	
Due Supervisor Fritz on settlement	69 23	
Bills registered by Supervisor Herzog	516 60	1099 12
Cr.		
Road fund in Co. Treasurer's office	251 79	
Bond fund in Co. Treasurer's office	20 23	
Special Road fund in County Treasurer's office	26 31	
Special Road fund in Collector Frisbee's hands	23 [illegible]	
Liabilities over assets	[illegible]	1099 12

FRANK FRITZ, Supervisor, in account with the funds of Keating township for the year 1897.

Dr.		
To seated duplicate, road	1478 20	
To seated taxes for 1896, road	125 [illegible]	
To seated taxes from Supervisor Herzog	7 40	
To unseated taxes from Co. Treasurer, road	1056 07	
To unseated taxes from Co. Treasurer, special road	54 09	
To seated taxes from Collector Daly, special road	3 [illegible]	
To seated taxes from Collector Frisbee, special road	65 03	
To seated taxes from Collector Frisbee, bond	121 60	
To unseated taxes from Co. Treasurer, bond	174 64	
Balance due Supervisor	60 [illegible]	3123 66
Cr.		
By balance due Supervisor on last settlement	28 10	
By balance due Supervisor old account	22 60	
By duplicate worked out	291 10	
By taxes carried to Supervisor for 1898	126 79	
By taxes transferred to Supervisor Herzog	21 86	
By exonerations	65 64	
By returned to Co. Commissioners, road	4 25	
By paid special road indebtedness	[illegible]	
By paid bond indebtedness	199 63	
By paid road indebtedness	1817 99	
By com. on road fund	23 63	
By com. on special road fund	3 61	
By com. on bond fund	4 64	
By 203 days services at $1.50	306 00	
By paid for hauling road machine 1897	10 00	3123 66

LAWRENCE HERZOG, Supervisor, in account with Keating township for 1897.

Dr.		
To seated duplicate of 1897	1472 [illegible]	
Rec'd of late Collector Daly	22 [illegible]	
Rec'd of Coll. Frisbee, bond	221 75	
Rec'd of Treasurer, bond	114 [illegible]	
Rec'd of Treasurer, special	[illegible]	
Rec'd of Coll. Frisbee, special	[illegible]	
Rec'd of Treasurer, road fund	[illegible]	
Transferred from Supervisor Fritz	21 86	
Amount due Supervisor to balance	217 09	[illegible]
Cr.		
Seated taxes returned, 1897	2 10	
Taxes exonerated	[illegible]	
Transferred to Fritz	7 40	
Return to new Supervisor	124 [illegible]	
Worked on seated taxes	1237 45	
Paid on special road	112 [illegible]	
Paid on bond	[illegible]	
Paid on road	[illegible]	
Com. on special road $122 60 at 2 per cent.	3 05	
Com. on bond $[illegible] at 2 per cent.	4 [illegible]	
Com. on road $1[illegible] at 2 per cent.	24 [illegible]	
1[illegible] days services at $1.50 per day as supervisor	2[illegible]	[illegible]

We, the auditors of Keating township, having examined the accounts and vouchers of Frank Fritz and Lawrence Herzog, supervisors of said township, with the road, road bond and special road funds of said township for the year 1897, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals this 10th day of March, A. D. 1898.

JNO. R. CHADWICK, [SEAL.]
E. T. REYNOLDS, [SEAL.] Auditors.
E. C. DAY [SEAL.]

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises in the City of Bradford, on

THURSDAY, THE [illegible] DAY OF APRIL, 1898, at [illegible] p. m., the following described [illegible]:

[illegible] in all that certain [illegible] of land situate in the city of [illegible] county of McKean and State of [illegible] bounded and described as follows: [illegible] point on the westerly [illegible]

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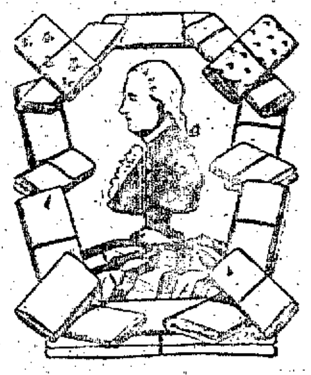

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Don't B phools & think Beause we retail goods at wholesale prices that tha R no good. We guarantee them equal 2 any higher priced goods in this town. Our table oil cloth at 16c yd is equal 2 any 20 or 25c goods U will find in this town. Fringed cloth window shades from 25c to 65c.

Our line of men's fine dress shirts at 48c to $1.00 can't B beat neither in price, quality oa quantity. This iz no li. D Witt's One Minute Koff Kure, sold the world over at 25c, we give it U at 15c. Also all other 25c remedies of D Witt's.

A. E. Stickles, Smethport,

FOR SALE AT
Palmer's New Livery Barn,
Water Street:

Horses, 25 Pails of Acme Stock Food,
Harness, Pulsifer's Veterinary Medicines,
Robes, Daniels' Veterinary Medicines,
Whips, Harness Oil,
4 New Buggies, Coach Oil,
2 Second-hand Buggies, Axle Grease,
1 New Cutter, Extra Thills,
1 Second-hand Cutter, Extra Poles.

Prices always reasonable.

Come and see me. Office at new barn.

A. T. PALMER.

MRS. G. G. PALMER,
THE UP-TO-DATE
MILLINER,

Is offering her present stock at cost in order to make room for the spring trade. Be sure to call when in

OLEAN, - N. Y.

Anderson's
Is the Place

to go when in need of anything in the line of

Ladies and Gents' Fine Shoes.

[illegible] stock of
[illegible] men's Footwear
[illegible] on hand.

Albert Anderson,
SMETHPORT, PA.

Sweet's Baby Cabs.

The cabs that stand first in point of durability. The cabs that most mothers in this section have used for 15 years. Honest cabs—whatever the price you pay.

Novelty springs—patented—for ease.
Patent Parasol Rods.
Patent Brakes that operate with the foot.
Rubber-tired wheels—varnished reed bodies.

Your choice from fifty new styles—$6.00 up.

Chemical Factory Supplies.

We are making these supplies a specialty. Not anything that we know of is lacking. Not anything cheaper elsowhere. When anyone can serve you better than we can, let us know.

14 Kinds of Packing

Acetate Rakes—Mortox Hoes.
Brass Pipe—Brass Spelter Solder.
Copper Nails—No. 14 gauge Sheet Copper.
Oval Head Rivets—Copper Soldering.
All Brazing Materials.
Junk or Mill Board.
Brass Fittings—all sizes.

Rubber Paint.

The Paint that is known to east several times as long as common paint. A paint with rubber in it to keep it bright—to ward off the weather.

Tested for a dozen years in this section, and used by those who know paint best.

We have 20 colors and white.

Girdles & Belts.

We have brought in the best of Parisian styles in new belts and girdles. Not a store anywhere will this season show better styles.

This season's fashion calls for jewel settings, and our stock shows all the jewels that are popular. Belts—7 cts up.

Dinner Sets.

No store in this section attempts competition with this in the China line. We import direct. We are exclusive agents for Haviland. In Dinner Sets alone 100 styles are always on exhibit here. Prices $6 75 up. Whatever is new is here.

Incandescent Burners—$100.

Not a cheap kind, but the best on the market—the Apollo. We have tested it a year, and we know that it gives the brightest, clearest, whitest light and the least heat of all.

Made specially for natural gas.

EMERY & WEAVER,
L. Emery, Jr., & Co., Bradford.

When at Store of D. C. YOUNG Buying Your

Hosiery, Underwear,
Dry Goods and Notions,
Boots, Shoes, etc.,

do not forget to look through the fine grocery department, where you will find many things to tempt you at very reasonable prices, for instance—

Maple Syrup, guaranteed pure, per gal.,	$1.00
Pure Buckwheat Flour, 25 lb. sack,	60c
Fresh made Dairy Butter, per pound	25c
Worcestershire Sauce, Durkee's Salad Dressing and Snider's Home-made Catsup, per bottle,	25c
Coffee, per pound,	12 to 35c
Tea, " "	25 to 50c

And there are other goods too numerous to mention at prices that cannot be beaten. Call and examine for yourself. Courteous treatment whether you buy or not. All goods bought and sold for cash.

D. C. YOUNG,
Jan. 4, 1898. Smethport, Pa.

It's easy

To get all the Perfumes, Toilet Goods, Brushes, Syringes, Hotwater Bags, and all other Druggists Sundries if you don't mind what you get. But is safer in the long run to take the trouble

To go to the right place. Do not go the Wrong Way.

We are in a position to supply the wants of everybody. We have everything that is to be had in the Drug or Drug Sundry lines and we sell them at such remarkably low prices that we are bound to win your custom and incidently your good will.

CALL AND SEE US.

ARMSTRONG & CO. Opp. Court House.

STOP! READ! and REFLECT!
And then go to
BROWNELL BROTHERS,
Where you will find a carefully and well selected stock of
DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,
FURNISHING GOODS,
HATS, CAPS. BOOTS and SHOES.
AND A CHOICE LINE OF THE
FINEST GROCERIES
TO BE FOUND IN TOWN AT
ROCK-BOTTOM PRICES.

Elaborate Stocks

OF

SPRING GOODS

WASH FABRICS

Broderies
Percales
Organdies
Dimitties
Prints, Etc.

SHIRT WAISTS

We include the popular blouse effects.

FOOTWEAR

We modestly assert our stock is unmatched in this district.

Nowhere will you find

STYLES, VARIETIES AND PRICES

arranged in more pleasing combinations.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.

Dry Goods, Groceries, Shoes.

Feb. 3, 1898. **Smethport, Pa.**

A
Lasting
Impression

is made by presenting your friend with your picture. But it must be a good one and to get a good one this is the place to come to. The light makes no difference—dark days just as good as bright ones.

If you want a good crayon at better figures than agents can give you call on or address

"KE" GLEASON, The Photographer.
Smethport, Pa.

"SHOES."

We will send to any responsible person SHOES to select from. We have everything in

Fine Shoes

in styles and quality that cannot be purchased in any small town. We make a specialty of FINE SHOES, every width and size.

BURT & PACKARD'S Korrect Shape Shoes for Men. We refer you to our many customers in Smethport.

R. W. Bloodsworth & Co.,
Olean, N. Y.

Commence the New Year by Smoking

The American Gentleman Cigar.

You will never regret this good resolution you have started. For sale at all first-class cigar stands in Smethport and vicinity.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, MAR. 18, 1898.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

When Adam in bliss,
Asked Eve for a kiss,
She puckered her lips with a coo;
Gave look so ecstatic,
And answer emphatic,
"I don't care Adam, if you do."
—Ex.

—Read our liberal offer.

—Send in your job work.

—Girl court on April 18th.

—Now is the time to subscribe.

—The Erie canal is 363 miles in length.

—A. B. Peirce has five Rock turkeys for sale.

—Trout fishing season does not open till April 15.

—Springlike weather now, but watch its smoke later on.

—Born, March 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hungerford, a boy.

—Little Eva at the opera house Monday night, March 21.

—Tom Purtle has had a "hello" machine placed in his laundry.

—Giffords' mill is undergoing repairs and will start up April 1st.

—Everyone seems able, or thinks he is, to discuss the "Maine" question.

—Dr. Houseworth will be here Thursday, April 7. See advertisement.

—The county commissioners are holding appeals in Bradford this week.

—MINER, Weekly Tribune and "Fifty Years Improvement in Farming," all for $1.30.

—Do not fail to attend the Uncle Tom performance at the opera house Monday night.

—Jas. A. McKean's arm is so improved that he is able to come up town and discuss politics.

—Norman Wright died at his home on Barden Brook, near Eldred, recently, aged 76 years.

—Read the new advertisement of McCoys' drug store. They call attention to Pabst this week.

—The Epworth League convention of the Olean District will be held here on May 13, 14 and 15.

—Do not be in too much haste in making your gardens. Jack Frost will soon be around making calls.

—S. R. Dresser has been appointed District Deputy Grand Master for this district, known as No. 23.

—Mart Armstrong has a new chainless wheel that he takes great pleasure in showing to all of his callers.

—In the last eight years there have been 218 trains held by robbers, 30 of which were in the year 1897.

—Kell & Abby's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company will appear at Kittredge opera house Monday evening, March 21.

—The auditors of Keating township were auditing the supervisors' accounts this week. See audit in another column.

—It is currently reported that there will be a chemical works erected somewhere on Potato creek in the near future. Where is "Pinky?"

—The city of Bradford seems to be greatly troubled with fire bugs, several attempts having lately been made to destroy valuable property.

—The postoffice at Little Valley, N. Y., was robbed Monday night, the thieves securing about $120 in cash and between $600 and $700 in stamps. The gang seem to be on their regular trip and may soon be heard of in this section.

—Simon Legree will appear at the opera house Monday night and administer the regular dose of punishment to Uncle Tom.

—Olean horsemen are striving to raise $8,000 to build a race track. It is alleged that seven men have subscribed $300 each.

—Mrs. Carrie Reilly has just finished some improvements on the interior of her store. It presents a very handsome appearance.

—N. W. Heineman will drill a new well near his mill at Colegrove. The drillers went up Wednesday to commence operations.

—The little daughter of R. T. Reynolds of McKeans Mills died last Saturday aged 4 years. The remains were taken to Farmers Valley for interment.

—A. B. Armstrong & Co. have a new advertisement in this week's issue telling you which way to go. Read it carefully and you will not go the wrong way.

—F. G. Lindholm & Co. call your attention to new goods this week with a new advertisement. This firm is surprising people by the bargains they offer.

—A. Miller & Son, 86 Kennedy street, Bradford, call the attention of MINER readers to bargains in lumber in a new advertisement this week. Read it carefully.

—George Mason takes this method of expressing his thanks to all who so kindly rendered assistance during the illness and burial of his brother, the late Virgil Mason.

—The next legislature ought to pass a law restraining angle worms from unnecessarily exposing themselves to sportsmen before the trouting season commences.

—The veteran soldier, William Devine, proprietor of the Hotel Rochester, at Bradford, died last Saturday at about 11 o'clock of pneumonia after a brief illness. The funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

—L. Emery, Jr., & Co., the reliable furnishers of Bradford, have a change of advertisement this week. This firm keeps everything they advertise and a careful perusal of what they have to say may be the means of saving you money.

—Last Monday night the new board of health met and organized. William Hafner was elected president, L. W. Dunn secretary, Dr. H. L. McCoy physician. Dr. J. C. Brown and Frank Kerns are the other members of the board.

—Matt Ruddy and W. W. Tadder are each badly used up owing to their carriage being wrecked last Sunday night while on their way to Custer City. Mr. Ruddy had a rib broken, while Mr. Tadder carries his left leg in a sling, or would like to.

—A. B. Ruth, alias Frank Brown does not seem to be the spring chicken that he would like to have people believe him to be. It seems this was his fifth trip to Allegheny prison and he appeared to be well acquainted with the institution and all the officers.

—The following letters remained uncalled for at the Smethport postoffice March 12, 1898: Miss Pauline Anderson, S. C. Graham, Chas. Morris, John F. Pease, Thos. Patrick, James M. Scanlon. Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

—In a recent return made to Congress by Postmaster-General Gary he states that it costs this country $18,690,282.01 to transport the mails and $41,047,530.39 to handle them. The aggregate number of pounds handled he places at 582,727,061.—New Orleans Picayune.

—The chicken-pie dinner and supper, followed by warm sugar, last Tuesday was a most agreeable and profitable affair and heartily enjoyed by all who participated. A goodly sum was realized for the Brookville memorial home. More of these pleasant affairs will follow.

—The funeral services over the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Studholme were held at the residence of J. A. Holdridge last Wednesday at 10:30. In the absence of the rector, Rev. J. Heber McCandless, Guy McCoy conducted the services. Interment at Rose Hill cemetery.

—The many friends of Rick Donovan will be pained to learn that he was taken with a severe hemorrhage of the bowels last night about eleven o'clock. Mr. Donovan was in a serious condition, but at this writing he is resting easier and his host of warm friends hope for the best.—Kane Republican of Monday.

—Potter county contributed three prisoners to the Allegheny prison: David Hicks of Austin, 7 years and six months for forgery and jail breaking; Chas. Short and C. D. Losey, both of Elmira, for abducting a sixteen-year-old girl from Costello. The first gets two years and the latter one year and six months.

—George P. Isham of Dunkirk is a vocalist. He is in London at present and has just closed an agreement to sing in Sir Arthur Sullivan's new opera to be produced for the first time in the Savoy theatre, London, in May. Isham is nearly at the top when he can secure such recognition.—Bradford Era.

—The Smethport Glee Club will be at home to its friends at its first monthly "smoker" tomorrow evening. Plans are being made for a first-class house-warming. District Attorney Gorton will address the meeting on "Our relations with Spain." Other speeches, music and cornets will make this meeting a success.

—W. V. Provin has leased the Berg Streeter House for a year. Carpenters were set at work making repairs Tuesday morning. New sills will be placed under the building and a general overhauling given it. Paper and paint will make a great change for the better. Mr. Provin expects to take possession about April 1.

—Mrs. J. Lester Ward accompanied Miss Cotter home last Saturday and remained over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Cotter and family.—Port Allegany Reporter. If that is so who in the name of "Sam Hill" was it that J. Lester was introducing here on the same date as Mrs. Ward and whom he proudly escorted to church.

—The young ruffians who made themselves conspicuous by throwing mud upon pedestrians on the street last Wednesday night will do well to take warning and desist from such conduct in the future, or it will cause them serious trouble. If brought before the court they will discover that such actions will be punished to the full extent of the law.

—The entertainment spoken of two weeks ago to raise a fund for assisting relatives of those who die in the county alms house who are not able to bury their dead, will be given Monday evening, April 11, in the opera house. The Smethport Glee Club will furnish the music, the Mandolin Club being a branch of the organization. It will be a rare treat.

—As a special inducement we offer the MINER, New York Weekly Tribune and "Fifty Years Improvement in Farming" all for the small sum of $1.30, cash in advance. No farmer can afford to do without this practical work. Send in your subscription. If your neighbor does not take the MINER call his attention to this liberal offer. Remember, 104 papers besides "Fifty Years Improvement in Farming," all for $1.30.

—Cop Cosman is bound to get a bob-tailed Chinaman regardless of cost. At the present time he has four boilers, two engines and three strings of tools to crooked hole [illegible]. It is said [illegible] [illegible] the greatest [illegible] discovery [illegible] [illegible].

—Rev. J. L. Walker will preach from the following subjects next Sunday, March 20: In the morning, "Temptation; How Resisted." At the close of the sermon a number of persons will receive the sacrament of Baptism. The evening subject, "The Reality of the Fall of Man," the third lecture-sermon in the course proposed. A most cordial invitation extended to all.

—The attention of our readers is called to the new advertisement of Mrs. E. E. Chambers in another column. Mrs. Chambers has moved into her building, one door west of the postoffice, which has been recently remodeled and decorated, where she will be pleased to attend to the wants of all customers. She announces that her Easter opening will occur on April 4, 5 and 6.

—The Bradford Era says: The Pennsylvania Fish Commission has announced that it is ready to receive and fill applications for trout fry. In consequence of the State having failed to make any appropriation for fish cultural work, there will be no applications received or filled for any species of fish other than trout. It has only been able to make distribution of trout through the generosity of public spirited citizens.

—The Oil City Derrick of last Tuesday contained several fine cuts and a lengthy description of the fine farm owned by Col. J. J. Carter of Titusville. The farm is located at West Hickory, this State, and consists of 4,600 acres, a large portion of which is in a good state of cultivation, with buildings of the most modern style. Horses, cattle, sheep and hogs of the purest blood roam the fields. It is an ideal farm and is worth going miles to see.

—Chief of Police Matt Ruddy and Constable W. W. Tadder came over from Bradford Wednesday having in charge George Pitts, Will Norris and Joe Hopkins who were captured while attempting to rob the Custer city postoffice early last Monday morning. All three were placed in castle Davis. Hopkins, who had a bad wound in one of his legs, could not navigate without assistance. He is a tough character and is possessed of lots of nerve.

—Representative C. W. Stone of Warren has introduced a bill to remove the charge of desertion against Volney O. Carter of Bradford. It appears that there were two soldiers of this name in the same company and regiment. The other one deserted and the charge was recorded against the Bradford citizen, who now wants it removed. It is about time Volney set about having such an ugly charge wiped out from opposite his name.—Olean Democrat.

—Oil was first struck in America in 1859 and since that time the United States has received for its petroleum product about $2,000,000,000 in hard cash. The industry in this country is more extensive than is generally supposed, there being no less than 225,000 men employed in the production and refining of oil. The capital invested in oil wells, machinery, tanks, pipe lines, refineries, etc., aggregate $825,000,000.—Warren Mirror.

—Wesley Mispaw of Ellington has an interesting relic in the form of a LeRoy and Howe sewing machine, the first lockstitch machine made. It was built in 1832, while Elias Howe did not put his machine on the market until 1852. Dr. Gates of Ellington bought the machine at second hand for $85. It was in the possession of several persons. Mr. Mispaw bought it, later sold it and then repurchased it to preserve as a relic. The machine is still in condition to be operated.—Ex.

—"An old Georgia woman, past 90," as her letter states, says: "I allers knowed thar would be another war before I died. I allars had faith that I would live to see more fightin'. I say I had faith in it, and I have never ceased to knit sox for the soldiers. I kept 'em supplied endurin' of the late war, and I have three hundred an' thirty pair of war sox on hand at this writin'. Many and many a poor soldier died in the sox I made. But some few came home in 'em. General Lee won two battles in sox I sent him. What do you reckon the government would give me a pair for 'em?"—Oil City Derrick.

—The Aurora Borealis display in the northern sky last Monday night at 9:20 was the richest and most gorgeous ever seen in this section. Commencing at the northeast it presented a very light tint, gradually increasing in color until a beautiful sea green was presented, interlaced with white narrow streaks arising almost to the zenith. At the western terminus of this peculiar phenomenon the sky assumed a blood red color. It was terribly grand and caused all who were so fortunate as to behold it to stand and gaze in wonder at this most remarkable freak of the sun's rays on the northern ice fields. All were confident of one thing, however, and that was that it presaged war.

—Brother Olson of the Smethport MINER, insists that his vindication is complete when he asserts that he supported the ladies at the caucus. That will hardly answer, Olson. What we want to know, my friend, and what it is necessary to be explained, before you are restored to favor by the ladies, is what did you do at the polls? This pinging fast and loose is played out. Did you vote for the ladies at the polls, Olson? Yes or No?—Port Allegany Reporter. Yes, we did. But it was an almighty bitter pill to swallow to vote a Democratic ticket and the only thing that induced us to vote that way was because they were ladies and not wild free-silverites and free-traders.

—A case has just been decided in the supreme court by Judge Dwight which will be of interest to pensioners. It appears that Mrs. Ann Costello of Marengo, the widow of a pensioner of the late war, was indebted to Luther A. Smith of that place in the sum of $200. Mr. Smith succeeded in getting his claim into an execution, and last summer attempted to sell Mrs. Costello's home to satisfy the execution. Mrs. Costello brought suit against Smith and the sheriff of Wayne county through her attorney, De L. Stow of Clyde, to restrain them selling the property. The case was tried before Judge Dwight at Lyons in January last. The court has just granted an injunction forever restraining the sale of the property.

Notice.

All dogs must be registered on or before April 1st. Any dog found running at large without collar and tag is liable the same as a dog not registered. The law requires a dog to wear tag on collar.

I. F. HOGARTH, Burgess.

The finest of snow moulding 50 varieties to select from. Call on L. Nav[illegible], Water street.

Come and see my new styles of Spring suitings.
8-4t JOHN MILLER.

A Worthy Citizen Gone.

Charles P. McAllister [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the days. A specialist [illegible] [illegible] but no greater success. The patient continued growing weaker as the days passed and although he made a gallant battle for life, his vitality gradually became exhausted. On Saturday last the attending physicians concluded that a surgical operation was necessary. The operation disclosed an abscess in the pleural cavity and another upon the spleen. The patient rallied promptly from the operation, but his strength was greatly reduced. Saturday night his condition became very alarming and Sunday morning the end came.

Charles P. McAllister was born in Cincinnati, O., March 1, 1854. He left his native city when a boy and went to Catasauqua, Pa., where, at the age of 12 years, he commenced his career as a telegrapher. As a boy he exhibited those traits of industry and frugality which in later years has made him a successful business man. From boyhood until the date of his death he had been the main support of other members of his family and had cared tenderly for his father until the death of the latter a few years ago. Before coming to Bradford in 1882, Mr. McAllister worked as a telegrapher in Jersey City, Easton and Wellsville. On February 18, 1880, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Emma Van Etten of Wellsburg, N. Y., who survives him. He also leaves one son, Charles, and a stepdaughter, Mary Van Etten, and a sister Margaret, all of this city; two brothers, A. G. McAllister of Colegrove, Pa., and J. F. McAllister of Atlanta, Ga.

Deceased was a man well known throughout McKean county. His amiable disposition and many excellent qualities of mind and heart made him very popular among his many acquaintances. He was very prominent in secret society circles and was a member of the following orders: Union Lodge No. 334, F. & A. M.; Bradford Chapter No. 260, R. A. M.; Bradford Council No. 43, R. & S. M.; Trinity Commandery No. 58, K. T.; Zem Zem Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Tuna Lodge No. 412, I. O. O. F.; Bradford Tent No. 4, K. O. T. M. For 12 years he has acceptably filled the position of Secretary and Recorder of all the Masonic bodies of Bradford. Mr. McAllister was an expert in telegraphy and held a responsible position with the Western Union Telegraph Company for a number of years. For the past 11 years he was chief operator in the National Transit Company's office in this city.

A brief prayer service was held at the family residence at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and at 3 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church. The services at the church were conducted by the Knights Templar. Interment at Oak Hill cemetery.—Era.

The floral display presented by the various organizations to which he belonged were beautiful.

Death of Virgil Mason.

Virgil Mason died at the residence of Mrs. Keefe on Water street, this borough, last Tuesday afternoon of uraemic coma following chronic interstitial nephritis, aged 66 years. The deceased was taken ill some time during Sunday night. Mrs. Keefe heard him groaning and sent for his brother, George, who had to burst the door open in order to gain an entrance to his room. Dr. Clark was called and everything was done to stay the fell destroyer, but without avail. The funeral was held at the Baptist church at 2 o'clock p. m. yesterday, Rev. T. R. Taylor officiating. Interment in Rose Hill cemetery.

Mr. Mason was born in Union, Broome county, N. Y., in 1832. About eighteen years ago he became a resident of this place and had resided here ever since. He never married. He is survived by his brother, George, and a sister, Mrs. W. C. Briggs, of Cowanesque, Tioga county, Pa. Mr. Mason has always been a quiet and unassuming man, industrious and faithful—always attentive to his own business, never bothering himself about the affairs of others. He has gone to his final reward.

Fire at Red Rock.

E. B. Sage, the Red Rock florist, no doubt believes in the old saying that misfortunes never come singly. Yesterday during the heavy rain storm a derrick belonging to him was blown over and this morning his hot-houses at Red Rock were partially destroyed by fire. At 6:30 the boiler house was discovered to be ablaze and the flames quickly communicated with the potting shed. An alarm of fire was raised and the male population of Red Rock and vicinity turned out and attempted to control the elements. Although they worked with might and main their efforts were in vain until the flames had almost destroyed the carnation house and damaged the rose house somewhat. The loss is over $300 and there is no insurance.—Monday's Star.

Dairy Statistics.

The following table shows just how much milk, butter and butter fat was produced by each cow in the dairy of A. E. Armstrong's farm at Farmers Valley. Every farmer who expects to make a success of farming should know whether a cow is worth keeping or not, and this is the only way of ascertaining:

Cow No.	Daily Av'ge	Days in Milk	Tot'l	Test	Fat	Butter
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12	17.54	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Minute Cough [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

PERSONAL MENTION.

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of Kane were [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] transacted business at Port Allegany Tuesday.

[illegible] enjoyed a ride to Hazel Hurst last Thursday.

[illegible] transacted business in Clermont Tuesday.

Geo. W. B. Clarke transacted business in Bradford Wednesday.

J. F. Keating of Clermont was transacting business here Monday.

L. W. Tubbs of Annin Creek was in town on business Wednesday.

Att'y John Ormerod of Coudersport attended court here yesterday.

John Rooney went to Mt. Jewett Tuesday to obtain some mountain air.

Ezra Taylor of Chipmunk was greeting old friends in town yesterday.

J. H. Tate of Clermont was in town on a business mission last Wednesday.

Mrs. H. L. McCoy and daughter, Miss Alice, were in Olean last Friday.

A. N. Lillibridge and C. C. Ward of Port Allegany were in town yesterday.

A. L. Hughes was breathing the mountain air of Kane the first of the week.

Editor A. D. Gould of Eldred was greeting old friends in town Tuesday.

Fred Fowler and B. C. Gallup of Port Allegany were in town yesterday.

Hon. and Mrs. T. A. Morrison were in Kane last Saturday visiting friends.

R. H. Redding of the Kane Republican was in town for a brief time Sunday.

Paul Johnston of Hazelhurst was a brief caller while in town last Wednesday.

E. Dennis of Eldred was in town stirring up the temperance advocates Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Mullin of Bradford were guests at the Grand Central Tuesday.

Our popular ticket agent on the B., B. & K., W. P. Walsh, visited DuBois last Saturday.

H. R. Ford and A. H. Brooks of Gerdean were pleasant callers at this office Monday.

Waldo Sage came down from Kane and was the guest of his parents a few days this week.

Mrs. Henry Hamlin departed for Binghamton last Monday to visit her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Rose.

Hon. R. B. Stone of Bradford and A. P. Huey of Kane were pleasant callers at this office yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hungerville and children were calling on Bradford friends the first of the week.

Mrs. A. G. McAllister and children of Colegrove were in town last Monday on their way to Bradford.

Miss Alma Tefft who has been employed at Mr. Purtle's laundry for some time returned to her home in Corry Tuesday.

George Miner of Forysville, N. Y., district president of the Epworth League, spent Sunday in town the guest of F. G. Lindholm.

Mrs. E. L. Knapp returned last Monday evening from a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Gibson of Bradford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Waite and little child of Coburn arrived in town last Wednesday. Mr. Waite will assume charge of the creamery on April 1.

Editor Lillibridge of the Reporter came over from Port Allegany Tuesday to enjoy the chicken pie dinner furnished by the W. R. C. at the court house.

J. W. Willis, one of the board of school directors, and D. S. Love, secretary of the school board, of Bradford were guests at the Wright House Wednesday.

B. F. Cory of Coryville was in town Monday. He reports that a cheese factory is being erected at that place, and states that the prospects for its receiving a good patronage are very flattering.

C. S. King and E. P. Dalrymple came over Tuesday determined to remove the court house to Port Allegany, but gave it up as a bad job when they discovered that the genial Charles Dickinson was a fixture and while of a necessity go with the building.

Last Saturday H. L. Burlingame was suddenly called to West Clarksville, Allegany Co., N. Y., by the serious illness of his father, H. W. Burlingame. The difficulty was bilious fever. Mr. Burlingame returned home Tuesday and expects to return to Clarksville to-morrow.

L. D. Noxon, a practical laundryman from Troy, N. Y., arrived last Monday night and Tuesday morning took charge of Mr. Purtle's laundry. Mr. Noxon comes highly recommended as an expert hand finisher and Mr. Purtle is now prepared to do all kinds of laundry work to the entire satisfaction of his customers.

Court Minutes.

Argument court convened last Tuesday, Hon. T. A. Morrison presiding.

The court granted the petition in the divorce case of Elizabeth J. Thomas vs. Wm. H. Thomas.

The hotel license of A. E. Hurley was transferred to C. E. Hurley.

T. F. Richmond was appointed commissioner to take testimony in the divorce proceedings of Nancy A. Varney vs. Frank N. Varney.

E. W. Mullin was appointed examiner to take testimony in the divorce proceedings of Anna L. Archer vs. G. N. Archer.

Elmer E. Barnhart vs. Edith E. Barnhart, divorce. Motion for alias subpoena granted.

The court confirmed absolutely the appraisement of the real estate of W. J. Hussey, deceased, set apart to the widow.

A. G. McAllister was appointed clerk of Norwich township.

Ferry Suggins, on whom sentence was suspended and who failed to appear at the last term of criminal court, and whose bail was declared forfeited, appeared before the court last Tuesday. His bail was remitted.

H. H. Clayson vs Charles Trenkle; in ejectment. Rule to show cause why defendant should not bring his action of ejectment. Continued.

Effie Chamberlain, by her next friend, Alonzo Cross, vs Harrison Chamberlain; divorce. Continued.

H. A. Swick and J. G. Otis, Trustee, deacons and members of the Union church in Ludlow vs J. L. Taylor, J. G. Curtis, Mrs. J. G. Curtis, Mrs. Daniel Curtis, Mrs. H. Colomy, Thos. Ballentine, John Curtis, Frank Foreman, et al. Continued.

In the matter of the road from Jo Jo road near West Kane school house in Wetmore township, to a point near the village of Wetmore in Hamilton township. Continued.

In the matter of the assignment of Amos Halloway to C. E. Brown and Earl Brown. Assignee removed.

Mary Edgar vs Josephine Rectenwald, No. 28, October term, 1897. All of defendant's plea except the plea of not guilty was stricken off.

Ida Keck's three months' sentence having expired a motion was made before the court by T. F. Richmond for her discharge. Motion was granted providing the commissioners gave their consent.

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To the Supervisors of McKean and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

BRADFORD BUDGET.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dropped, but [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] and several prominent business and professional men. Mr. Green wrote to Adjutant General Stewart of the N. G. P. in regard to the matter and received a very disappointing letter in reply. The latter was to the effect that it would be absolutely impossible to admit another battery into the guard at this time. There may come a time when the services of these brave men will be needed. At present they are very much disappointed, but as patriotic as ever.

The choosing of a site for the new school building is causing more trouble and calling forth more eloquence than did the McKinley-Bryan campaign. There are at present four sites from which to choose, and they are situated as follows: The Woodbury property, so called, which is the old island that figured so prominently in all social (?) events in the early history of Bradford; the Walker lot, corner of Mechanic and Corydon streets; a lot corner of Mechanic and School streets and the Webster property. At the last meeting of the school board little else but these sites was talked of, and no decision whatever was arrived at. The majority of the people favor the island site as it is the largest, cheapest and most centrally located. The matter should be settled one way or the other, as figures presented at the meeting show our schools to be in a most lamentably crowded state. In the second ward alone there are 400 more pupils than the regulated number, and other schools are crowded in proportion.

The Pompelon Club has adopted a new rule. Hereafter all those, not members, who wish to listen to the debates, will have to pay an admission of five cents. In spite of this rule a large audience listened to the discussion last Saturday evening on the subject: "The Overproduction of Laws." Hon. H. H. North introduced the subject and was followed by Attorneys Eugene Mullin, R. B. Stone and J. M. McClure, Rabbi Louis Reynolds and Rev. M. H. Houghton. The consensus of opinion seems to be that there could not be an overproduction of new laws; that new ones should be made as fast as new conditions called for them and that old laws which we have outgrown should be repealed. Next Saturday evening the discussion will be "Lynch Law," to be opened by the minister of the African Methodist church. It is expected to attract a large crowd of listeners.

At the meeting of the councils Monday evening a resolution that the water commissioners be instructed to negotiate with C. L. Douglass for the purchase of his mill dam and water rights, the same to be paid out of the water funds, was refused. The same dam has given the city and property owners on the flats a great deal of trouble. It is claimed that many of the disastrous floods that the city has undergone were liable to this dam, which chokes the current of the Tuna and causes large ice gorges. Several attempts have been made in the past few years to purchase the old mill, dam and all, but the owner always asked such an enormous price as to stop all further negotiations. Since the burning of the old mill Mr. Douglass may be more reasonable in his demands and it is probable that a bargain will be struck in a short time that will be satisfactory to all.

William Devine, one of Bradford's best-known citizens, died suddenly Saturday night at the home of Frederick Heatheote on Kennedy street. Mr. Devine had not been feeling well for the past two weeks, but his death was entirely unexpected. The physician who was hastily called pronounced the disease acute pneumonia. Mr. Devine was the proprietor of the Rochester Hotel on lower Main street and the remains were removed there as soon as possible. Deceased was aged about 50 years and has been identified with the hotel business in Bradford since 1878. He is survived by a wife, two daughters, Edith and Ella, and one son, Marshall. He was a member of the G. A. R., K. O. T. M. and K. of P. Funeral services were held at St. Bernard's Catholic church Wednesday morning. Interment in St. Bernard's cemetery.

It is said that there is a fire bug, a desperate incendiary in our midst. This particular specimen of a peculiar maniac, if he exists at all, is doing a great deal of work. Four fires that have occurred in the last ten days are charged to him, but no clue has been obtained as to his identity. The first fire laid to him is that which burned the old Douglass mill. Then the Holt rock woodenware factory is said to have been chosen as a victim of his mania. Two houses caught fire one afternoon and were followed by a half blaze in John Ley's machine shop. None of these fires, with the exception of the first, was very costly, but if it be true that we have such a criminal in our midst, there is no knowing what may happen.

It has been said that the inclination to commit suicide attacks a community like an epidemic. This may be true or not, but anyway, last Sunday night George Ketchell of this city attempted suicide by drowning. He was deliberately preparing to take a header into the chilly waters of the West Branch, when he was seized from behind and restrained from his purpose. The other night a member of the demi monde discovered that life was not all beer and skittles and she attempted to shuffle off this mortal coil via the laudanum route. Prompt medical assistance was given and she recovered slowly. And now we are wondering who will be next.

George Pitts and Will Norris were arrested at Custer City by Chief of Police Ruddy. Officers Clark, Foust and Richard Cowen and Constable Tadder early Monday morning. The men were in the act of robbing a store in that village, but a quiet tip given to Ruddy that such a crime was to be perpetrated caused their plans to go up in smoke. They were brought to this city and at their hearing were bound over to court on the charge of larceny.

Last week about 50 Bradford Masons went to Buffalo to visit Concordia Lodge of that place and witnessed the administration of third degree. Among them were Mayor Geo. C. Fagnan and City Controller Sloan.

A public inspection of Company C was held Tuesday evening at the armory. The company is in fine shape and makes a splendid showing.

The contract for the grading of the base ball ground at Clarkdale has been let and the work will be rapidly pushed to completion.

CLERMONT.

L. Steinhauer came back from his farm at Farmers Valley on Monday last where he has been for several days looking after early potatoes, &c. He expects to spend about one-half of his time there next summer and take lessons in farming and hopes to become a full fledged farmer.

The Methodist congregation is making preparations to build a new church upon a building lot donated to them by Milo Lyman. They have nearly all the money subscribed. The church is estimated to cost about $800 and will be a great improvement to that end of the town.

It is talked that there will be several new dwelling houses erected here this season. If this is true it does not look as if Clermont is dead or likely to be for some time to come.

Pat Gaynor and Oscar Lefquist were sworn in as supervisors of Sergeant township before 'Squire Steinhauer on Monday last. This makes Mr. Gaynor's third term.

"Punk" is again driving mule in the mines. He does not seem to care to become a tiller of the soil.

ANNIN CREEK.

There are some who are very anxious to go to war with Spain, but I have noticed that most such are too old to enlist. Some of them were just the right age to have enlisted in the civil war, but they did not think about it then. But they are just like myself, they won't be there at all.

Parties who recently leased land here for oil and gas have given up their leases, not having been able to secure enough land.

Quarterly meeting was held in the M. E. church last Sunday. Rev. Barnett presided.

Orell Dunn of Little Genesee was visiting at L. H. Winship's the first of the week.

Rev. Langsdale made a trip to Wellsville and also to East Otto last week.

Frank Bridge and wife of Bells Run visited in this place last week.

Rev. W. W. Cable was down from Wrights [illegible] [illegible] last week.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] has moved his family onto [illegible]

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D. J. Downey.

A Home Thrust.

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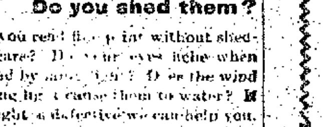

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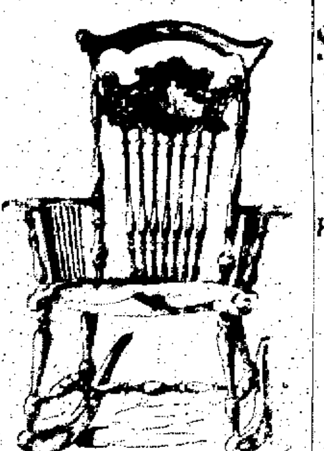

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[illegible]IA SAVED HIM.

[illegible] DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE WITH WOLVES.

[illegible] Wilderness, He Had to Abandon [illegible] and For Forty-eight Hours [illegible] Contest With His Life as [illegible]

[illegible] following is a true wolf story [illegible] data furnished by Dr. [illegible] of Lewisburg, Pa., whose fa[illegible] the hero:

[illegible] year 1846 wolves were [illegible] valley, between [illegible] and Hazleton. When the [illegible] a part of the Phil[illegible] Reading, was being built, [illegible] H. Thornton, a practi[illegible] one cold autumn night [illegible] had to visit a patient [illegible] from his home. At that [illegible] no regular roads as we [illegible] in their place the traveler [illegible] or trails. Dr. Thorn[illegible] to reach the bedside [illegible] attempted to make a [illegible] lost his way and for a [illegible] through the wilderness [illegible] gun, was obliged to [illegible] and herbs. The doctor [illegible] and after wandering [illegible] the pathless forests for [illegible] days got into a large swamp, [illegible] stepped into a quag [illegible] his owner was unable [illegible] him, and the animal had [illegible], imbedded, as he was [illegible] belly in the soft and boggy [illegible] doctor removed the saddle [illegible] his supply of medicine, [illegible] over his shoulders and

[illegible] hours after the doctor got [illegible] where he had aban[illegible] he was horrified to see [illegible] followed by a band [illegible] wolves. At first they kept [illegible] distance when stones [illegible] at them, but finally, as if [illegible] the helpless condition [illegible] victim, and as dark[illegible], the hungry, bloodthirsty [illegible] bolder and bolder. They [illegible] the terrified and jaded [illegible] in, started to attack [illegible]. One more vicious and [illegible] than the others made a spring [illegible] doctor's throat, but a well direct[illegible] from a club temporarily dis[illegible] animal and caused his raven[illegible] to discontinue at that [illegible] premeditated and combined

[illegible], by this thrilling episode [illegible] frightened condition of the [illegible] succeeded in going perhaps a [illegible] when, to his great [illegible] he found the whole pack, led by [illegible] brute he believed he had [illegible] with his club, hot on his trail. [illegible] blow administered to the [illegible] the howling band seemed to [illegible] the brute's cour[illegible] for blood. The man, [illegible] by long exposure and loss of [illegible] that he would soon be torn [illegible] if he did not adopt some new [illegible] defense.

[illegible], as the animals began [illegible] him for another on[illegible] he reached a high rock and [illegible] its top, where a giant tree [illegible] him from falling back[illegible] reached this eminence in time [illegible] with some stones and [illegible] good clubs before his pur[illegible] to attack him. He stood [illegible] the tree, and as the animals at[illegible] came up he drove them back [illegible] primitive weapons. A large [illegible] with great force and ac[illegible] the head of one of the an[illegible] this gave the doctor a [illegible] spell.

[illegible], however, realized that he [illegible] quit his refuge, and, remem[illegible] that he had in his saddlebags a [illegible] full of ammonia, he deter[illegible] employ it as a final resort to [illegible] life. He quickly removed one [illegible] leggings, tied it se[illegible] a stick, and after saturating [illegible] with ammonia he boldly [illegible] the rocky promontory to[illegible] wolves. The cunning animals, [illegible] aware that he could be more [illegible] overpowered on level ground, [illegible] back off and permitted him [illegible] several hundred yards before [illegible] the pursuit. They did not, [illegible] much time to elapse be[illegible] the trail of the man who [illegible] so successfully baffled their

[illegible] doctor stood still and waited [illegible] of the brutes rushed within [illegible] length, when he struck him [illegible] with the cloth saturated [illegible] ammonia. This reception was a [illegible] and unique one for the wolf, [illegible] off howling with pain. Two [illegible] of the band were slapped across [illegible] with the saturated balm, [illegible] fell. After this experience [illegible] followed the doctor till day[illegible] morning, when they gave up [illegible] which they had continued for [illegible] and which unquestionably [illegible] resulted in a most horrible [illegible] had not been for the contents [illegible] bottle.

[illegible] succeeded in finding a [illegible] occupied by the men construct[illegible] railroad, where he [illegible] cared for, and in the [illegible] of five days was taken to [illegible] where he was ill for fully a [illegible].—Philadelphia Record.

[illegible] Enough.

[illegible] Sioux City (Ia.) Sunday [illegible]:

[illegible] studying in the catechism [illegible] wonderful greatness and pow[illegible]. "Can God do everything?" [illegible] question. It was generally ad[illegible] he could. Then the teacher [illegible] propounded a stic[illegible] as a test of faith. "Could [illegible] two and two equal five?" he [illegible] query rather startled the [illegible] in the class, and their faces [illegible] a troubled, puzzled expression. [illegible] never thought of such a thing [illegible] it looked as if their faith [illegible]. The teacher waited with [illegible] smile on his face. Then [illegible] little hand. "Well," asked [illegible], "what do you think about [illegible]?" "Yes, ma'am," was the prompt [illegible] response. "Now it was the [illegible] turn to look surprised. "Well [illegible] God make two and two equal [illegible]?" "By adding one," was the tri[illegible] answer, and the mischievous [illegible] couldn't dispute it.—Sioux City

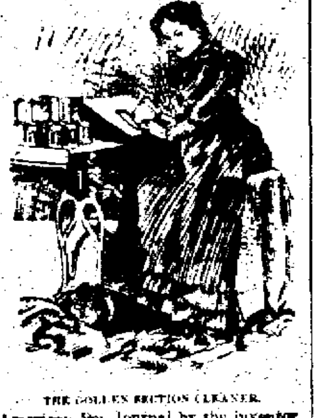
[illegible] the World Lives.

[illegible] 1,000 inhabitants of the [illegible] live in Asia, 242 in Europe, [illegible] in Africa, [illegible] in America, 5 in [illegible] and the polar regions and only [illegible] Australia. Asia contains more than [illegible] of the total population of the [illegible] nearly one-fourth.—[illegible]

[illegible]

A Labor Saving Piece of Machinery Was Unchronoplate.

Every man, woman and child that knows anything about preparing section honey in first class style for the markets knows that scraping sections is a tedious kind of work and will be glad to learn all about the section cleaner here illustrated and originally described in The American Bee Journal by the inventor, J. A. Golden of Ohio. Here is what he writes concerning his invention:



THE GOLDEN SECTION CLEANER.

Having an old sewing machine table, I nailed some boards together and cut out a wheel, which is 36 inches in circumference and has a 4 inch face. I attached it on the old table, covered the face of this wheel with medium fine sand paper by gluing it on, and arranging a cover so that the face of the wheel protruded from one-sixteenth to a quarter of an inch, as shown by the picture, where Flora is in the act of passing a section over the wheel. It will be observed that there is plenty of room for a full super of sections to be placed on the table at a time.

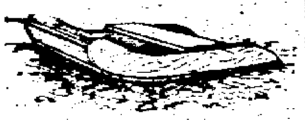
Now as to how the machine works. Well, it was just fun to clean sections with it, and so clean and bright that no one could tell by looking at them afterward that they ever had propolis on them, excepting at the scallops, which have to be scraped out. But if the plain, no bee way section is used a knife will never be brought into use, as the machine does it all and very speedily.

There isn't a beekeeper in the world who likes nice, clean section honey that after seeing this machine and its work but would make or procure one. As I am generous to beekeepers I here publicly present to them the right to use and also how to construct it. If there is any beekeeper in America or any other country that after dressing a half dozen sections of honey isn't in love with the machine and its work, let him "arise" and explain the objections.

In conclusion let me add: Bread and table knives, penknives, scissors or any small edge tools can be quickly ground on this wheel the same as an emery wheel, so our women folks will now have no excuse for not having sharp knives, as any one who can run a sewing machine can run this section cleaner.

A Valuable Implement.

A roller is one of the most valuable implements that a farmer can use in making a fine seedbed, but scarcely one



SUBSTITUTE FOR ROLLER.

farmer out of ten owns a roller. The cost or the trouble to make one is the excuse given for their absence from the farm tools. An easily made substitute for a roller is shown herewith. It is from The Farm Journal. The sides are cut from two planks, and narrow strips are then nailed to the lower edges. This contrivance can be weighted to any degree desired and will do good service in fining or firming the soil.

Tomatoes Under Glass.

The best results gained at the New York station in growing tomatoes under glass was with Lorillard trained to single stems. In a bulletin on the subject it is stated that the fruits on the single stem plants are heavier and greater in number for equal areas so that the total yield per square foot of bench surface is decidedly larger. The amount of fruit ripened during the first six weeks of fruiting is much greater for the single stem plants, although in many instances the first fruits ripened were upon the three stem plants.

In comparing the plants grown in pots and in the benches very slight differences were found when the plants were trained to single stem, but with the three stem system retaining the pots seems to be a decided disadvantage, as shown by the less number of fruits and smaller total yield of plants thus checked in growth.

News and Notes.

From the far west to New England there is a general disposition to return to sheep industry.

The special wheat investigation of the department of agriculture shows that the crop of 1897 amounted to 530,000,000 bushels. The Cincinnati Price Current's estimate is 540,000,000 bushels.

A writer in The Farm Journal says: In applying commercial fertilizers to garden crops sow the fertilizer along between the rows at planting time and then draw this fertilized ground up to the plants instead of applying directly.

The latest craze in some sections in growing tobacco is to shade it or to partially protect it from the full rays of the hot summer's sun.

Information comes from the agricultural department that no less than 20 beet sugar factories have been established in different parts of the United States in the last few months.

News and Notes.

Rural New Yorker sizes up the hog as follows: "I keep ham-moring away," said the Berkshire hog. "I am saving my bacon," said the Cheshire. "As for me, I will try my luck in lard," said the Poland-China.

Early Puritan seems to be a promising potato.

It requires from 15 to 30 pounds of stores to winter a colony of bees, according to their strength and numbers.

Under the auspices of the department of agriculture over 30,000 farmers made estimates of the cost of raising and marketing an acre of wheat, and the summary shows the following averages: In the New England states, $20.22; middle states, $18.18; southern, $10.94; western, $10.80; Pacific slope, $13.90; average for the whole country, $11.66.

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T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of Mystic Cure for Rheumatism, and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport.

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about frog music is the fact that the frog keeps his mouth closed when he is singing.

He can sing through his skin. He is provided with a pair of resonant chambers like drums, and he makes his music by snapping his muscles against the distended membranes. Then he can breathe through his skin and supply all the wind that is necessary without opening his mouth.

A French scientist, after long listening in the woods, has made out and reduced to writing the song of the frog, or "swamp music," as he calls it, and has discovered that the frog repertory is varied and extensive. Frogs can carry on conversations at long distances and can communicate to each other emotions of fear or anger.

Their songs, however, are all love songs and are only indulged in when there are female frogs about. It is then that the frog distends his drums to their utmost, throwing his head well back and his legs far apart and raising his voice, as it is called, to the very highest pitch of the musical scale.—Pearson's Weekly.

An Estimate of Henry George.

Henry George had all the popular gifts of the American orator and journalist, with something more. Sincerity rang out of every utterance. Sparing in book knowledge, he had hammered out his thoughts upon the forge of personal experience and showed them hot from the hammer, rude and unfinished in form. For this very reason "Progress and Poverty," a stumbling block to responsible politicians, to the economic professor foolishness, struck the common mind of the thinking people with convincing and dramatic force. The influence of this first book of serious economic import which ever reached the outer circle of the English reading public is not to be slighted. It is a matter of deep significance that such a book should have reached a circulation of far upward of 100,000 copies. Upon the pressure of the early popularity of his book Henry George threw the weight of his present personality, and his great gifts as orator and debater secured his influence and widely advertised his doctrines at a time particularly favorable to their reception.—Fortnightly Review.

Time to Stop.

Among the best stories recorded by a well known angler is one about a Scottish laird who was one day relating to his friends at the dinner table the story of a fine fish he had caught. "Donald," said he to the servant behind his chair—an old man, but a new servant—"how heavy was the fish I took yesterday?"

Donald neither spoke nor moved. The laird repeated the question. "Weel," replied Donald, "it was twal' pund at breakfast, it had gotten to achteen at dinner time and it was sax and twenty when ye sat down to supper wi' the captain." Then, after a pause, he added, "I've been tellin lees a' my life to please the shooters, but I'll be dashed if I'm going to tell lees noo in my old age to please the fushers."

The Left Wing.

"Is there any portion of the fowl you prefer, major?" asked the hostess blandly.

"The left wing, if you please."

"The left wing?"

"Yes," retorted the major, gazing dubiously at the platter. "I believe it is always good military tactics to bring the left wing of a veteran corps into action."—London Fun.

The Coast Defenses.

One-half the number of improved cannon, mortars and emplacements will be located and placed in suitable position ere the expiration of 1898. The Artillery Board is constantly making practical surveys, so far as these relate to the army, and the establishment of adequate military protection of our sea board is receiving strong endorsement. Meanwhile there is a means of defense from greater physical calamity, and that is the use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which by restoring the tone of the nerves and stomach, invigorates the entire system. It also prevents malarial, kidney and rheumatic ailments, and cures biliousness and constipation. Those who have been cured by it speak in uncertain terms as to its effectiveness.

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In some instances he [illegible] [illegible]. In others he [illegible] patient, and weighted [illegible] In the first instance he [illegible] dyspepsia and nervous [illegible] second for kidney trouble [illegible] Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical [illegible] gives the average man [illegible] deal of hardship, deprivation and hard work, in spite of the life he leads [illegible] the food to be properly [illegible] builds firm, healthy flesh [illegible] corpulent people more [illegible] purpose, nervous troubles [illegible] of per cent. of all cases [illegible] prevents weakness in [illegible]

"In August, 189[illegible], I was taken [illegible] with a [illegible] and severe [illegible] [illegible] head," writes Mr. D. [illegible] Volusia Co., Fla. "My bowels [illegible] symptoms were like consumption [illegible] I ate would digest and I had [illegible] stomach. I wrote Dr. Pierce [illegible] four bottles of his 'Golden [illegible]' and three of 'Pleasant Pellets' [illegible] to do my work and eat many things [illegible] feel much better [illegible]"

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		2[illegible]	J. A. Sampson & Co.	22 64
		[illegible]	do	1 56
		[illegible]	C. A. Dolley	7 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	6 47
		[illegible]	do	17 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	13 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	2 [illegible]
		201	F. H. Arnold and [illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]	Terrence Driscoll	2 [illegible]
		[illegible]	Eugene Mullin	[illegible]
		[illegible]	Amelia A. Holt	6 [illegible]
		[illegible]	C. W. Barr	[illegible]
		[illegible]	Elfie Chase	[illegible]
		[illegible]	Ira Tubbs	1 [illegible]
		[illegible]	James Hooley	2 [illegible]
		25	do	1 [illegible]
		41	J. C. Gading	4 [illegible]
		[illegible]	W. A. Littlebridge	2 74
		241½	A. N. Littlebridge	4 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	12 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		27	Hamlin, Hamlin & Forrest	3 [illegible]
		112	H. S. Baker and M. A. Littlebridge	18 [illegible]
		2[illegible]	do	[illegible]

BRADFORD TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
2367	47	28 1-10	T. W. Shaw	3 [illegible]
[illegible]		45	Unknown	[illegible]
2350		31	E. Parsons	[illegible]
[illegible]	225	[illegible]	do	18 [illegible]
2327		125	H. S. Baker	[illegible]
2350		25	do	3 [illegible]
2350		60	David Garfinglo	[illegible]
[illegible]		2	Monahan & Baker	47
[illegible]		108	Wm. Weed & Co.	[illegible]
[illegible]		47 1-10	Howard Little	[illegible]
[illegible]		604	J. E. Mullin	[illegible]
[illegible]		804	P. B. Anderson	[illegible]

BRADFORD CITY—FIFTH WARD.

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED LIST.

Lot	Owner	Tax
2 lots 20, 22 Cottage Row	H. A. Campbell	[illegible]
1 lot, 162 Cottage Row	Sam Cleveland	7
1 lot, 43 Rochester st.	Mary Conklin	[illegible]
1 lot, Bissell Ave.	John Downey	[illegible]
1 lot, 15 Brennan st.	John Green	[illegible]
1 lot, 88 E. Main St.	E. P. Howland	2 [illegible]
1 lot, [illegible]	Mrs. L. A. Hancock	[illegible]
1 lot, 120 Cottage Row	Mrs. E. Johnson	[illegible]
1 lot, 120 E. Main St.	Michael Kelly	[illegible]
1 lot, Bissell Ave.	A. E. Lanrance	[illegible]
1 lot, 24 Rochester st.	Mrs. Sarah Martin	[illegible]
1 lot, 41 Brennan st.	M. C. Murray	[illegible]
1 lot, Rochester st.	A. W. Newell	[illegible]
1 lot, 50 High st.	Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Rhodes	[illegible]
1 lot, 27 E. Main st.	Geo. L. Ward	[illegible]
1 lot, 37 High st.	W. H. Main	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

CORYDON TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
3720		500	H. A. Jamison	90 60
3720		300	S. A. Morrison	66 [illegible]
3711		400	Harry Benson	[illegible]
3734		1100	do	122 [illegible]
3738		1250	do	226 [illegible]
3718		367	Weed & Co.	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	Elias Eyster	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	Persis Crandall	[illegible]
[illegible]		21	L. D. Prosser	[illegible]
[illegible]		1100	M. A. Littlebridge	78 [illegible]
[illegible]		321	H. S. Baker	[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	L. D. Morrison	[illegible]
3715		49	H. A. Cartwright	14 [illegible]
[illegible]		50	A. J. Hammond	[illegible]
[illegible]		427	Wm. Duke	16 [illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	C. H. Foster	17 [illegible]
3704		1000	P. B. Anderson	80 [illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]	Mrs. R. T. Hotchkiss	42 [illegible]
12		[illegible]	Effie D. French	[illegible]

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED LIST.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
3720		5	H. A. Jamison	29 [illegible]
3707		5	do	[illegible]
4910		16	Woods Bros.	20 [illegible]
3716		[illegible]	Clark Lamberton	2 47
3710		20	G. K. Friedenburg	[illegible]
3717		25	Unknown	[illegible]
3782		10	Penn Tanning Co.	25 [illegible]

CERES TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		77	M. D. Lovejoy	6 10
2300		35	C. L. Carey	[illegible]
		17	Hamlin, Hamlin & Forrest	1 43
		15	do	4 [illegible]
		85	Weston Bros	[illegible]
		25	do	12 [illegible]
[illegible]	431	146	John Godding	12 [illegible]
[illegible]		43	F. H. Raymond	4 61
[illegible]		43	A. M. Benton Estate	3 [illegible]
[illegible]	94	60	John Burr, by	2 [illegible]
		63	Patrick McCarthy	[illegible]
2300	N end 149	14	M. C. Roberts	2 41
2303	S end 231	25	do	[illegible]
2321	13	25	R. E. Brazee	1 [illegible]
[illegible]	287	64	W. B. Cleveland	[illegible]
2305	231	63	J. A. Dibble	[illegible]
		47	Eames Wallis Est	[illegible]
2308		40	J. C. Godding	[illegible]
		30	Geo. J. Edwards	[illegible]

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		[illegible]	C. W. Waldman	55 [illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]	112 74
		[illegible]	Jasper Leggis	47 [illegible]
		[illegible]	Hubert Haley	[illegible]
		247½	C. C. Allen	19 [illegible]
		2[illegible]	H. P. Lantz	47
		[illegible]	do	1 [illegible]
		155½	D. A. Wardle Est.	1 71
		41½	D. M. Hessler	3 [illegible]
		14	E. N. Kane	1 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	18 [illegible]
		[illegible]	E. D. Kane	19 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	9 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	177 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	2 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	11 [illegible]
		60	Evan O'N. Kane	5 [illegible]
		[illegible]	E. K. Kane	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		109	James H. Percival	7 [illegible]
		[illegible]	J. D. M. White	[illegible]
		[illegible]	Mrs. C. W. Holmboe	1 17
		247½	G. L. Watson	29 [illegible]
		[illegible]	A. J. Anderson	3 [illegible]
		[illegible]	J. W. [illegible]	1 [illegible]

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		[illegible]	M. W. & Peters Lumber Co.	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	645 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	619 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		764½	Mrs. M. A. Backus & Wm. Hew	312 10
		251	J. Bean	24 [illegible]
		56	Weed & Co.	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		75	O. D. Coleman	5 24
		75	do	5 24
		21½	W. W. Cheney	[illegible]
		[illegible]	do	15 [illegible]
		[illegible]	G. H. Hatfield	[illegible]
		225	G. Port	[illegible]
		225	Campbell & Bartholomew	[illegible]
217		112½	L. F. Watson	[illegible]
Morrison tract		[illegible]	M. Mead	[illegible]
		37½	John Gibbs	1 [illegible]
		71	L. A. Strong	[illegible]
	122	255	Pat H. Anderson	[illegible]
		12	L. A. Strong	[illegible]
½ of		37½	W. I. Bartholomew	[illegible]
		125	John Bonner	[illegible]
		125	Morrison & Bartholomew	7 75
	122	5	Porter & Co.	[illegible]

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
	122	1	James Leak	1 03
		13	Mrs. S. R. Strong	[illegible]

KEATING TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		403	Zimri West	323 14
		[illegible]	do	60 40
		70	H. & B. D. Hamlin	4 70
	243	131	Oliver Irons	6 70
	310	67½	do	4 56
		100	Whitney, Greenwald & Benson	15 40
		110	John L. Chadwick	0 24
		25	Russell, Droney & Kimball	6 04
		67	Cogswell, Eaton & Gay	4 90
	384	10	W. S. Brownell	1 [illegible]
		15	W. S. Moore Est	[illegible]
	[illegible]	94 4-10	P. C. Freeman	1 92
	40	396 1-10	J. C. Backus Est	18 40
		20	do	2 23
		21	Conrad Herzog	75
		49	Jas. & C. McKean	2 68
		20	Devonian Oil Co. "Mineral"	13 80

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		15	Mrs. A. Schoonmaker	5 10
		73	C. H. Harrington	5 15
		22	Hugh Werner	6 62
		77	Swan Johnson	17 55
	245	24	Wm. H. Freeman Est.	10 16

LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		97	Z. West	7 52
		303	do	18 22
		61	do	4 91
		37	do	2 [illegible]
	19	150	J. W. Brennan	14 07
	10	100	J. M. Tait	7 77
	7	36	do	3 [illegible]
		75	Wm. Weed & Co.	11 64
	1234	5460	do	474 01
		1255	do	564 44
	19	175	do	27 64
		439½	do	73 90
	8	335	do	55 [illegible]
	[illegible]	188	do	22 18
		170	do	[illegible]
		170	do	27 30
	3	100	A. Miller	15 52
		127	Greenewald, Whitney & Benson	19 70
		180	do	27 22
		20	John Hewett	8 06
	7	78	Mrs. Z. L. King	72 [illegible]
	104	60	J. C. Backus	6 21
	63	75	L. L. & F. E. Hawkins	40 55
		507	South Penn Oil Co.	229 20
		5	R. J. Gates	20
	16	178	do	13 62
	16	50	W. H. Parkinson	3 88
	4	50	do	[illegible]
	4	45	do	3 44
		180	J. Noya & Son	13 77
	9	177 3-10	A. Kessler	6 81
	25	28	Rohn, Rose	11 64
	66	40	J. E. Mullin	1 84

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		25	W. J. McDougal	2 92
House and lot			Unknown	74
		4	Johnson, Farrer & Treft	90
		77	Oil Well Supply Co.	6 28
	93	54	Tim Sullivan	6 96

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		[illegible]	A. C. Holden	3 60
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		40	M. C. Johnson	6 46
		17	Martin Pinnell	20 [illegible]
		[illegible]	J. D. Williams	5 40
		[illegible]	Ellis Lyman	5 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	[illegible]
		7[illegible]	Chas. D. Marshall	5 [illegible]
		[illegible]	do	16 [illegible]
		[illegible]	J. C. Backus	1 [illegible]
		[illegible]	Conner Johnson	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		217	[illegible]	[illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]	201 [illegible]
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	27	[illegible]	Geo. S. Wagel	[illegible]
		85	do	1 [illegible]
		92	Henry Evans	64
		459½	Henry C. Crawford	11 67
		346	do	9 [illegible]
2180	27		Crosby Lumber Co.	2 41
	602	180	W. S. Williams	6 [illegible]
		35	O. D. Gallup	1 [illegible]
2180	196, 103, 119, 120	113	E. B. Dolley	6 17

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
2180		40	C. D. Smith	6 74

OTTO TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
2221	315	325½	Sanderson & Baker	[illegible]
2880	271	85	G. N. Grow	[illegible]
2880	231	57	do	4 44
[illegible]		60	do	[illegible]
2402		85	Dock & Howe	27 15
2881	210	67	Benj. Bunker Est.	4 41
2161	851	34	H. & B. D. Hamlin	[illegible]
2090	75	36	H. Dean & Co.	[illegible]
2183		800	Cobb, Chase & Colt	107 [illegible]

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
		1	W. A. McDonald	1 [illegible]
		4	Bartlett & Smith	[illegible]
2180		60	South Penn Oil Co.	29 60

PORT ALLEGANY BOROUGH.

RETURNED FROM SEATED.

1 lot, Mill St.,	Mrs. Roxey King	1 [illegible]

SERGEANT TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
2330		44	Struble & Dickson	2 11
	86	60	F. A. Shellander	[illegible]
2335		25	do	3 [illegible]
2385	100, 86, 86	25	John S. Swanson	1 67
		40	do	[illegible]
2330		250	G. H. Boyd	19 [illegible]
2333		300	do	21 12
2326		656	Lands of trustees	[illegible]
[illegible]		670	F. Collinge	21 22
2367		60	T. L. Kane	21 [illegible]
[illegible]		790	do	51 4[illegible]
[illegible]		40	do	[illegible]
[illegible]		130	do	2 [illegible]
[illegible]		110	J. C. Backus	5 [illegible]
[illegible]		120	Jos. Stell	7 [illegible]
[illegible]	100	79	Jno. O. Perry	[illegible]
2101		990	Penn Chemical Co.	86 25
2182		950	do	148 40
2165		410	do	27 00
2197		75	H. L. Howard	7 [illegible]
2197		40	W. S. Brownell	4 08

SMETHPORT BOROUGH.

RETURNED FROM SEATED.

Out lot, S. H. Cleveland		1 [illegible]
Sq. 31, lot, J. G. & E. L. Williams		15 4[illegible]
Out lot, 1 3-5, Mrs. C. M. Bishop		77
Sq. 60, 60-115 ft, O. S. Greeley		10 59

WETMORE TOWNSHIP.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
3133		247	Elizabeth D. Kane	20 15
3132		165	do	10 47
3131	95, 27	590	do	352 62
3067	212, 313, 14	400	do	642 [illegible]
3162	45	254	do	165 69
3152	52	65	do	4 [illegible]
3161	76	58	do	[illegible]
3151	76	50	do	50 64
3164	77	340	do	100 48
3166	77	51	do	16 65
3163	79	50	do	16 00
3152	82	42	do	53 12
3212	97	135	do	13 67
3151	78	168	do	9 [illegible]
3213, 3215, 3232, 3167	113, 111	7	do	85
		10	do	1 [illegible]
3172, 3172	85, 80	611	do	472 57
3167	91	11	do	3 [illegible]
2367	292	60	do	3 00
3132	78	42	E. O'N. Kane	12 8[illegible]
3132	78	74	do	21 03
3132	78	40	do	42 4[illegible]
3132	78	54	do	17 43
3210	79	35	do	11 87
3497	80	107	do	29 [illegible]
3166	91	34	do	12 [illegible]
3175	93	29	E. K. Kane	89
3141	90	6	do	18
3162		135	do	210 7[illegible]
3121		990	do	58 41
2229	40, 41	454	do	36 78
2167	261	225	do	26 [illegible]
3166	8	16	T. L. Kane	95
2375	179	225	Penn Tanning Co.	13 2[illegible]
2375	180	225	do	13 28
2370	179	19	do	24 10
2374	186	225	G. Potts	81 00
3764		250	James Bros	14 70
2373	9 to 17	77	do	4 63
2371		100	do	10 52
3754		250	do	32 45
2357	265	225	E. M. Payne	13 28
2362	269	225	do	13 28
2362	429	225	do	13 [illegible]
2310	340	225	Stone, Weston & Co.	13 2[illegible]
2370	416	225	do	13 28
2320	300	225	do	13 28
2367	301	225	do	13 [illegible]
2367	301	225	do	13 28
2355	319	225	R. T. Stone	139 [illegible]
3764		104	A. J. Hazelton	6 14
3764		251	Hilton & Weston	14 [illegible]
2370	417	112½	Jno. McNair & Son	6 [illegible]
2370	427	225	do	13 26
2370	428	225	do	13 2[illegible]
2362	410	103	do	31 [illegible]
2312	319	112	do	6 00
3764		150	do	247 60
2362	340	50	O. B. Lay	2 05
2368	224	112½	Hazelton, Weston & Co.	6 [illegible]
2372	357	225	Thos. Keelor	13 28
3761		200	do	11 80
2310	349	225	do	13 28
2372	377	112½	do	6 [illegible]
	422	32	Stone & Hazelton	18 12
3781		100	Davis & Weston	5 00
3764		230	Wiggans & Trebelle	7 60
2310	330	67½	Mrs. A. L. Halleck	2 61
4376	163	225	do	13 2[illegible]
	341	105	Roester & Pulliber	6 15
3153, 3120		100	Oscar Berlin	9 90

LANDS RETURNED FROM SEATED.

		Acres.	Owner.	Tax.
	342	112½	Frank Hanson Est.	1 33
Section 63		68	Herbert Anderson	4 09

KANE BOROUGH.

RETURNED FROM SEATED.

			Owner.	Tax.
	382	100x200 ft.	Thos. Carrig	2 10
2380	353	100x115 ft.	Sherwood Robison	4 60
[illegible]	353	50x276 ft.	Richard Dodge	2 50
2380	383	50x175 ft.	Mrs. C. A. George	40
		50x130 ft.	Mrs. E. Cook	1 05

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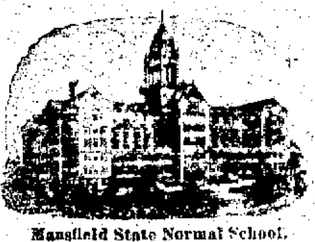

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Clermont Accom daily ex Sunday [illegible] p. m.
Clermont Accom daily ex Sunday [illegible] p. m.
*Clermont Local connects through to [illegible]

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Nov. 28, 1897.

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[illegible] a. m.—Train [illegible], week days, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington, [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

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[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m. week days ([illegible] a. m. Sundays), Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington, and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport.

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train [illegible], week days, for Erie, Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.
[illegible] a. m.—Train [illegible], daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.
[illegible] p. m.—Train 15, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS TO EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

[illegible]

RIDGWAY & CLEARFIELD RAILROAD.

	STATIONS.	
A. M.		A. M.
[illegible]	Ridgway	[illegible]
[illegible]	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
[illegible]	Straight	[illegible]
[illegible]	Instanter	[illegible]
[illegible]	Smith's Run	[illegible]
[illegible]	Wilcox	[illegible]
[illegible]	Clermont	[illegible]
A. M.		A. M.

Connections are made with train 2, leaving Emporium at [illegible] a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible] p. m. and at Ridgway with train 6 leaving Ridgway at 2:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R. TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, June 18th, 1896.

[illegible]

			STATIONS.			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Keating	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cowley Junction	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Austin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Costello	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Wharton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Logue	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Je	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Gaines	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ansonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
a. m.	p. m.	Dp.		Ar.	p. m.	p. m.
a. m.	a. m.	p. m.	Cross Fork Je.	a. m.	p. m.	
7.30	12.05	4.00	Ar Cr F'k Jc Dp	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	11.55	3.00	Dp Cross F'k Ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

H. Hutchinson, Train Master. C. W. Goodyear, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday Nov. [illegible], 1896.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	LV. WESTW'D.		
A. M.	A. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
8.50	7.20	2.10	Ulysses	7.41	2.40	10.[illegible]
8.25	7.21	2.00	Crowell's	7.57	2.40	10.[illegible]
8.30		1.56	Carpenter's		2.42	10.[illegible]
8.20	7.16	1.51	Perkins	7.56	2.46	10.[illegible]
8.20	7.15	1.50	R. & S. Junc'n	7.57	2.50	10.[illegible]
	7.10	1.45	Newfield	8.00	2.56	10.[illegible]
8.06	7.00	1.42	Gold	8.06	2.56	10.[illegible]
7.55	7.01	1.36	Raymond's	8.07	2.56	10.[illegible]
7.16	6.50	1.24	Seven Bridg's	8.14	3.11	[illegible]
7.10	6.46	1.20	Colesburg	8.21	3.15	[illegible]
7.00	6.40	1.14	Frink's	8.25	3.22	[illegible]
	6.30	1.00			3.45	[illegible]
4.[illegible]	7.57	12.55	Coudersport	8.45	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.49		12.51	Hammond			[illegible]
3.39	7.52	12.46	Olmsted	8.51	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.34	7.46	12.41	Mina	8.56	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.25		12.34	Knowlton		6.19	
3.21	7.38	12.2[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.12	7.31	12.2[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.05		12.17	Coleman		[illegible]	
3.15	[illegible]	12.[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	Depart.	Arrive A. M.	P. M.	P. M.

Trains run on eastern standard time.

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ST. MARYS & SOUTHWESTERN R. R.

To take effect at 5 o'clock a. m., Monday, August 9, 1897.

South			Stations		North	
2:2[illegible]			Clermont		1:[illegible]	
2:24			Chatham		1:[illegible]	
2:50			Wildwood		1:[illegible]	
3:04			North Fork		1:[illegible]	
3:11			Kay Fork		12:5[illegible]	
3:04			Gray Gables		12:[illegible]	
3:30	7:40	Ar Lv	St. Marys	Lv Ar	12:[illegible]	[illegible]
3:35	7:45		Kaul		10:[illegible]	7:[illegible]
3:42	7:51		Deisch		10:[illegible]	[illegible]
3:48	7:55		Groll		10:[illegible]	[illegible]
3:56	8:05		Gillen		10:[illegible]	[illegible]
4:00	8:10		Paine		10:[illegible]	[illegible]
4:06	8:15		Centreville		10:[illegible]	[illegible]
4:14	8:2[illegible]		Daguscahonda		10:10	[illegible]
4:21	8:30		Shawmut Summit		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:30	8:3[illegible]		Cameo		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:35	8:40		Thompson		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:39	8:43		Curry		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:41	8:49		Brandy Camp		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:46	8:51		Hilson		[illegible]	[illegible]
4:50	8:5[illegible]		Hyde		[illegible]	[illegible]
5:10	9:10		Shawmut		[illegible]	[illegible]
p.m	a.m.				a.m.	p.m.

Bradford, Bordell and Kinzua Ry.

Time Table taking Effect Nov. 28th, 1897.

LEAVE SMETHPORT.

[illegible] A. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting with P. & W. Ry. for Foxburg, Butler and Pittsburg.

10:00 A. M.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane.

[illegible] P. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting at Kane with P. & E. train 4 for Wilcox, Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Emporium, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia and at Bradford with Erie R. R. train [illegible] for Salamanca, Olean, Hornellsville, Elmira and New York.

Trains arrive at Smethport, daily except Sunday, at 9:26 a. m., 4:[illegible] p. m. and [illegible] p. m.

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